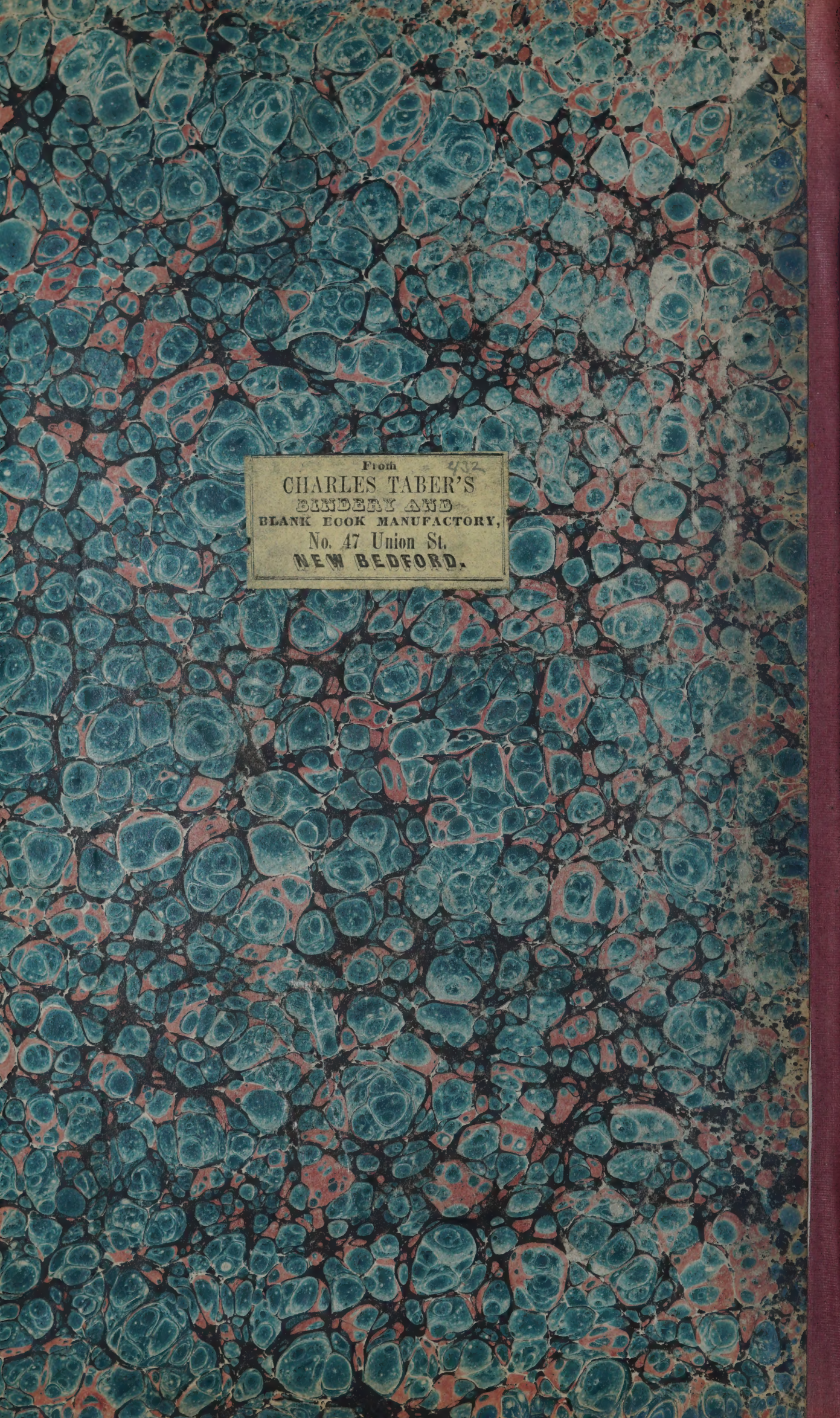


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NEW ENGLAND YEARLY
MEETING OF FRIENDS

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8th 1856.

11th Fairhaven, and Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 8th mo. 22nd 1856.

The representatives of Fairhaven are Anna
D. Wood and Phoebe Swift for Longfellow & Elizabeth Briggs and
Susan Knowles - present except one for whose absence
a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The committee appointed in 5th mo. last
to visit Lydia C. Dexter (late Swift) on account of her
deviation in marriage, present the following report
viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Agreeable to our appointment we have visited Lydia C.
Dexter (on account of her deviation in marriage) to a good
degree of satisfaction. She seemed very desirous to be retained
within a membership and sincere in her attachment to friends.
It is our judgment that it would be well to continue her
membership - which we submit to the meeting
Dexter
to mem-
berships.

Botsen P. Wood

Dolly Bradford

Fairhaven 8th mo. 22nd 1856.

The above report was accompanied by the following
acknowledgment, viz. Having deviated from the order of
friends which was indeed a trial to me, it is my request
that you would so far pass it by, as to continue me under
our christian care. Lydia C. Dexter.

The report and acknowledgment are accepted by
this meeting, and it is the conclusion thereof to retain her
a member of our religious society. - Men friends visiting
therein, and Abby Holmes is requested to give her the infor-
-mation.

We have received at this time a certificate
from the General Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in
Boston & London. the 21st of the 5th mo 1856, on behalf of our beloved
Worcester friend Susan Howland. stating that she had regu-
larly attended the several meetings of Friends in that
annual Yearly Meeting - and that her labors in the cause of Christ had
been acceptable and edifying to them. which is truly satis-
fying to this meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony, Clerk.

9th Mo. 1850.

At New Bedford. Monthly Meeting of women friends held 9th Mo. 26th 1850.

The representatives for New Bedford are Maria S. Kimball & Hannah S. Allen for Longsight & Phila Miller & Mary Ann Jones. All present.

The assistant clerk being absent Dorcas F. Tucker is appointed in that service for the day.

Abby Holmes reports that she has attended to her appointments in the case of Lydia C. Dexter.

The queries with answers to the first, second and third preparative meetings have been read in this and a summary collected from the answers, which (with an account to the Quarterly Meeting) is to be forwarded by Anna S. Kimball, Hannah Leonard, Lydia S. Howland and Jane Davis, whom we appoint our representatives.

We are informed through New Bedford preparative Meeting that Phila Miller (late Gifford) has married out of the order of our society, on which account we appoint Deborah Taber and Sarah H. Anthony to visit her & report the result thereof to a future meeting.

We are also informed through Longsight preparative meeting that Mary Shearman (late Howland) has married contrary to the order of our discipline. We appoint Hannah Bradford & Elizabeth Wilber to visit her on the subject of complaint & report to a future meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony, Clerk.

10th Mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held 10th Mo. 24th 1850.

The representatives for New Bedford are Anna S. Wood and Phibe Swift for Longsight Betsy Wood & Hannah Jones who are all present.

The assistant clerk being absent Dorcas F. Tucker is appointed for the day.

Having been informed through New Bedford preparative meeting that Maria Brown (late Russell) has married contrary to the order of our discipline we have appointed Abigail Howland & Lydia S. Howland to visit her on the account and report to a future meeting.

10th Mo. 1850.

The following report by the committee appointed Sept. 1849
to visit Mary Le Baylies on account of her separation from marriage
(written at the subsequent meeting) has been read and approved
by this meeting and it is the conclusion thereof to reinstate
her in membership with us, seven friends uniting there-
in, and Susan Howland is appointed to give her the in-
formation.

To the Monthly Meeting.

According to a communication in these minutes, Mary
Le Baylies (née Le Bay) had come to express the meeting
that she expressed much attachment to the Society,
and a desire of being reinstated in membership.
Notwithstanding and having had several opportunities with her, friends
in the Society she resembles of the same spirit, and concluding it
would be useful to defer it longer, but will
be the judgment of the Monthly Meeting.

Deborah Tallen.
Deborah Taler.

New Bedford 10th Mo. 24th 1850.

To New Bedford Mo. Meeting.

Dear Friends

Although I have not in all things
conformed to the rules of Society of Friends, it is still
my earnest desire to be retained as a member of their
meeting, being that I still am attached to them.

Mary Le Baylies.

Extracts from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting
of Women Friends have been read, and were accepted by us.
Dorothy H. Weston.

11th Mo. 28th

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
11th Mo. 28th 1850.

The representatives to the Monthly Meeting are
Hannah Broadford for Long Island who are all present.

Susan Howland informed this meeting that
Mary Le Baylies was the applicant for reinstatement in membership.

The question of the reinstatement of Mary Le Baylies was
discussed and it was decided to reinstate her in membership
with us, seven friends uniting there-in, and Susan Howland
is appointed to give her the information.

11th Mo. 1850.

A request from Sarah D. Wing to be admitted into membership has been received through Longfellow's preparation meeting, we appointed Hannah Taber and Deborah Taber to examine her on the subject and report to a future meeting.

The following report of the committee appointed in 1849 was read to Phila G. Miller (late Gifford) on account of her deviation in marriage (with her acknowledgements) and been read & accepted by this meeting - which concerns her to membership - since her membership with us, her friends unite in this and since I have it requested to give her the information

To the Monthly Meeting-

According to appointment we have had several opportunities with Phila G. Miller on account of her deviation in marriage. We appeared our desires that friends would overlook her deviation, and continue her in membership with them. We believe it will be safe to grant her request, and submit it to the Monthly Meeting.

Deborah Taber

New Bedford 11th Mo. 28th 1850.

Sarah H. Anthony

To the Monthly Meeting-

Dear Friends

Having by my marriage violated a rule of society in connecting myself with one not in membership with you, I hope friends will so charitably view my case as to continue me in membership with them trusting my future conduct will evince my sincerity.

Phila G. Miller

The committee having the care of the Meeting at Rochester presented the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Report of
Rochester
Committee

The committee appointed in the recent meeting at Rochester report that they have endeavored to adhere to their appointment in calling that meeting from time to time as was thus provided for it, to a good degree of satisfaction - and although they have often found the meeting small, yet they are united in judgment that such result is the consequence of the meeting being continued as heretofore under the care of a committee. which we submit to the meeting for the consideration of the committee.

Lucius Shearman

Hannah Taber,

11th Mo. 28th 1850.

11th Mo. 1851.

This meeting accepts the report and reappoints Betsey Plerson, Lydia Longdon, Rhoda Howland, Rachel F. Howland, Rhoda Appoinment: S. Gifford, Susan G. Hamblere, Sophia Dickerson, Hannah T. Taber, Ruth of New-Son Davis, Ruth S. Wood, Sarah H. Anthony, Betsey Wood, Dorcas S. Tucker, Committee Anna Wood, Mary D. Taber, Sigrid Davis, and Ann W. Dunbar to have the oversight of the meeting for the ensuing year.

A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Hannah Loring wife (William Spina) has been read and accepted. Sarah H. Anthony Clerk

12th Mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 12th mo. 26th 1851.

The representatives for New Bedford are Sarah Longdon & Eliza Tripp for Long-Plain Sarah A. Delano and Sylvia H. Nye. Present except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason has been given.

The representatives to the quarterly Meeting report that, they attended agreeable to appointment.

Anna Wood reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Phila S. Miller.

Transcripts of acceptable Epistles from London and Ohio Yearly Meeting of Women Friends have been read at this time. Sarah H. Anthony Clerk

1st Mo. 1851.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 1st Mo. 23rd 1851.

The representatives for New Bedford are Rhoda S. Gifford and Eunice Macomber for Long-Plain Mary D. Taber and Mary Swift. All present.

The friends appointed in 11th Mo. last to visit Sarah D. Wing on the subject of her request presented the following report. viz

Admission

of the

into

Membership

We have visited Sarah's house and are satisfied with her request. proceeds from manifest duty. which we refer to the Monthly Meeting.

Hannah Tripp Elizabeth Macomber Long-Plain 1st Mo 23rd 1851.

We accept the above report and accordingly receive her into membership with us - men friends uniting therein. And Sylvia H. Nye is requested to give her the information.

~~Sarah H. Anthony~~

1st Mo. 1851

Our beloved friend Susan Threlkeld informed this morning that she had a prospect of attending the ensuing Quarterly Meetings of Rhode Island and Smithfield, and some of the members constituting the same as truth suggests the way. After a season of solid consideration her concern was fully united with by this meeting and she encouraged to press therein at least wisdom may direct being a minister in unity with us, and the Clerk is directed to furnish her with a minute conformable to the above.

We unite with the men's meeting in extending an
invitation of membership to Tom J. Thierman

Sarah H. Anthony

2nd Mo. 1851

At a meeting of the monthly meetings of women
friends held on 2nd Mo. 27th 1851.

The representatives for Smithfield are
Ruth Almy & Hannah T. Taber for Long Plain Prichard
Delano and Mary Ann Wing - who are all present.

Sylvia H. Nye reports that she has attended
to her appointment respecting Sarah T. Thierman.

Cornelius Macomber and Ann T. Delano
having informed this meeting (by a written communica-
tion) of their intentions of marriage with each other
we appointed John Isaacson & Betsey Glover to take the
necessary case in the case, and report to our next
monthly meeting.

Alfred Davis is added to the committee
appointed in 1849, last to visit Mary T. Thierman
on account of her deviation in marriage.

Transcripts of epistles from Indian and
Baltimore Yearly Meetings of women friends have
been read & are acceptable to us.

Sarah H. Anthony

3rd Mo. 27th 1851

At a meeting of the monthly meetings of women
friends held on 3rd Mo. 27th 1851.

The representatives for Smithfield are
Hannah Allen and Deborah Taber for Long Plain Eliza-
beth Carter and Anna T. Davis - who are all present.

The queries with answers from our previous
meetings have been read in this, and a summary
collected from the answers for the Quarterly Meeting which

3rd Mo 1851. with an account thereto is to be forwarded by our friends Deborah Taber, Betsy P Wood, Lydia Henson and Rebecca Thomsen whom we appoint our representatives.

The friends appointed report that they find nothing to prevent Ann A. Delano from proceeding in marriage with Cornelius Macomber having consent of surviving parent and they appearing clear of other engagements are left at liberty to solemnize their marriage according to the good order of our discipline and Deborah Shearman and Mary D Taber are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report to our next monthly meeting.

The committee appointed in 10th mo last to visit Maria Brown on account of her deviation in marriage presented the following report viz.

Agreeable to our appointment we have visited Maria Brown (late Russell) on account of her deviation in marriage. She received us kindly, but did not express any wish to be retained longer a member of our ^{religious} Society. We think further care from us in the case would be unavailing.

To New Bedford Monthly meeting of Friends 3rd Mo 27th 1851 { Abigail H. Howland
Lydia T Howland
which is accepted by this meeting and it is the conclusion thereof to discontinue her from membership with us having the concurrence of men friends therein and Hannah Bradford is requested to give her the information

Transcript of an acceptable Epistle from North Haverhill Yearly Meeting of women friends has been read at this time.

Sarah H. Anthony Clk.

11th Mo 24th

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held 11th month 24th 1851.

The representatives for New Bedford are Sophia Nielson & Ruth Army - for Long Plain Betsy P Wood and Mary D Taber All present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeable to appointment. Hannah Bradford reports that she has attended to her appointment respecting Maria Brown.

4th mo. 1851.

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Hermanus, daughter of Ann A. Wilans report that it was conducted in an orderly manner.

Phila G. Miller having requested a removal certificate to New York Monthly Meeting, Sarah H. Anthony & Lydia Congdon are appointed to prepare one on her behalf and present to a future meeting.

Transcript of an acceptable epistle from New York Monthly Meeting of women friends has been read at this time.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk

5th mo 1851.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends
July 5th month 22nd 1851.

The representatives for New Bedford are Betsey Kelley and Ann H. Durbin for Long Plain Abby Holmes & who are all present.

A removal certificate from Eastmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Thomas Inman, his wife ~~Harriet~~ Mary H. and their minor children viz. Edward and Hannah G. Inman has been read and accepted in concurrence with the men's meeting.

A removal certificate addressed to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Phila G. Miller has been approved, and the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

Our esteemed friend Betsey P. Wood informed this meeting that she had a prospect of attending the ensuing Yearly Meeting of New York as companion to our esteemed friend Mary Thore - which was fully united with, and she encouraged to proceed therein - being a member in unity with us.

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a minute expressive of the sense of this meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk

6th Mo. 1857.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
Friends held 6th Month 26th 1857.

The representatives for New Bedford are Susan
G. Kempton & Rhoda T. Gifford for Long Plain Betsey G. Loomis and
Louisa Cowing all present.

The queries with answers to the first, second
and tenth from our preparative Meetings have been read
in this, a summary collected from the answers is to be
forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends Dorcas
H. Tucker, Rhoda Howland, Betsey P. Todd & Phoebe Swift whom
we appoint our representatives.

Our esteemed friend Betsey P. Todd returned the
minute granted her last month, with an endorsement
from New York Yearly Meeting expressive of her company hav-
ing been acceptable to that meeting.

We are informed that our beloved friend Ruth
Davis has a prospect of making a religious visit to the fam-
ilies of friends belonging to South Kingston, Monthly Meeting
and also of appointing a meeting at Jamestown. Within
concern claiming the consideration of this meeting is fully
united with, and she is left at liberty to proceed
therein as best wisdom may direct. being a minister
in unity with us. The Clerks are directed to furnish her
with a copy of this minute.

We unite with the judgment of the men's meeting
in denying to Edward J. Perry the right of membership.

Minute
Respecting our Brethren Monthly and Quarterly Meetings. Daniel and James Jordan
friends Daniel from Amherst Monthly Meeting New York have been with us at
Wood's James this time presenting satisfactory testimonials from their
respective Meetings. Their company & religious services have
been acceptable to us. The Clerk is directed to unite with the
clerk of the Men's Meeting in furnishing them with minutes
embracing the substance of this.

The time having expired for which the Clerks
of this meeting were appointed Hepsa Howland, Abigail
Davis Lucia Howland and Hannah Bradford are requested
to make a selection of friends for that service and propose
them to our next Monthly Meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk

The representatives for New Bedford are Phil S. Horton and Susan G. Kimpton for Long Plain, Mary Ann and Mrs. Leonard. Green except one.

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The friends appointed for the purpose, propose La. A. H. Anthony, for clerk and Anna G. Wood for assistant clerk of the meeting, which is union with and they are appointed accordingly for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting containing the report of the Boarding-School Committee, and a requestion of discipline in regard to the manner of making addi-
ditions to our meetings of Ministers & Elders as adopted by that meeting - have been read & are satisfactory to us.

The London General Epistle of last year brought with excellent counsel & encouragement, together with extracts from the minutes of our last year's meeting of the same name. These have been read & are acceptable to us.

The Committee appointed in Dec. Mo. 1849. for the purpose of selecting such friends as might be considered suitable to fill the Station of Elders is released from further service therein.

Gives to the Anthology Clerk

Laura & H. Anthony Clark

8th mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 8th mo. 28th 1851.

We have had several opportunities with Ruth Morse and believe her sincerely desirous for friends to pass by, her deviating from the rules of our discipline in marry-
ing one not a member of our society. Which we

8th Mo. 1851. Submitt to the Monthly Meeting.

Hannah Tripp.
Elizabeth Haunover.

Long plain 8 mo. 27th 1851.
To the Monthly Meeting.

Dear friends

I feel desirous for friends to pass by my deviation from the good order of Society in marrying one not a member.

Long plain 8 mo. 27th 1851. Ruth Horte.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned the minute ~~the minute~~ furnished her in last month's association with minutes from Abol. Union & Smithfield Quarterly Meetings, and Providence & Smithfield Monthly meetings & excessive of her company's religious services having been acceptable to friends of said meetings. She also informed this meeting that she had a prospect of attending the ensuing Quarterly Meetings of Fairfield & Vassabrook and such meetings constituting the same as way may open for in the South which concern claiming ~~the~~ our solid consideration was fully united with, and she left us liberty to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct, being a minister in unity with us. And the clerks are directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

A request from Mary to Dinsmore (wife of Philip Young of Dinsmore) to be admitted into membership with our religious society. ~~Mrs Dinsmore~~ having been presented to this meeting - we appoint Susan Howland & Sarah H. Anthony to visit her on the account and report to a future membership meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk

9th Month.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 9th Mo. 25th 1851.

The representatives for New Bedford are Susan O'Hempson & Deborah Taber for Long plain Ruth F. Wood and Abigail Davis all present.

The queries with answers to the first, second & tenth from our preparative meetings have been read in this, a summary of which is to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives Sophia Ricketson, Lydia Wagoner, Elizabeth Haunover and Grace Davis.

Ruth H. Baker having requested a removal certificate to Philadelphia Monthly Meeting for the Western-district for herself & minor children viz. Samuel, Robert,

9th Dec 1851 - B. Evans & Ann Barker, for appointing Sarah H. Anthony
and Dorcas P. Tucker to unite with a committee of the monthly
meeting in preparing one on their behalf and business for our
next monthly meeting.

Our beloved friend Ruth Davis returned
from her journey in 16th Mo last to visit the families of
friends in South Kingston Monthly Meeting, and to appoint a
meeting at Jamestown, and inform us that she had been
enabled to accomplish the service to the peace of her own mind,
she also presented a minute from South Kingston Monthly
Meeting expressive of her company and religious services
having been acceptable to friends of that meeting.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned
the minute furnished her last month, with a satisfac-
tory account of the accomplishment of the service for which
she was then liberated, accompanied with minutes
from Fairfield & Passabasso Quarterly Meetings and Passabasso,
China and Hyannis Monthly Meetings, all expressive of her
company & religious services having been acceptable to
them.

Mary Ann Wing reports that she was attended to
for appointment respecting Ruth Morse.

The time having expired for which the overseers of
Committee this meeting were appointed: Rhoda Howland, Deborah
on overseers Salmon, Ruth Davis, Sarah H. Anthony, Lydia Longdon &
overseers Hannah Bradford are appointed to select suitable friends
of the poor for that service and propose to our next monthly meeting.

The time having also expired for which the overseers
of the poor were appointed the selection of friends for that
service is referred to the same committee.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk
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10th Mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Boston Friends
held 10th Mo. 23rd 1851

The representatives for New Bedford are: Abner L.
Gibbons & Charlotte D. Garrison for Long Plain Elizabeth Swift
and Susan J. Wing. Not present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting
report that they attended according to appointment.

The committee to whom care the selection of overseers
of the meeting has reported that they are united in

10th mo 1851. proposing Phoebe Russell, Lydia Congdon, Lydia Howland & Ruth Almy
for New Bedford preparative meeting - Hannah Shipps, Betsey P. Wood, Sally
Bradford and Ruth Wood for Longplain - then also propose for overseers
of the house for New Bedford Sarah Howland, Sophia Dickerson & Sarah
Overseers H. Anthony for Longplain Mary Ann Howland, Betsey P. Wood & Abby Holmes
which being united with, they are appointed to those services respec-
tively for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

The committee appointed in 8th Mo last to visit
Mary L. Dinsmore on her request to become a member of our religious
society report as follows viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Acceptance of. We have attended to our appointment, and have had sev-
eral interviews with Mary L. Dinsmore much to our satisfaction
into she seems sincere in her request, and in a good degree convinced
Memberships of our principles - we are united in believing it will be safe to
receive her a member of our religious Society - submitting it
to the judgment of the meeting

Susan Howland.

Sarah H. Anthony

New Bedford 10th mo 23rd 1851.

which being united with by this & the mens meeting
she is accordingly received into membership with us, and
Anna Wood is appointed to inform her thereof.

The friends appointed to prepare a removal certificate
for Ruth H. Baker & family have presented one, which is approved
by this meeting & the clerk is directed to sign it on its behalf.

Sarah H. Anthony, Clerk

11th Mo 27th

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held
11th Mo 27th 1851.

The representatives for New Bedford are Ruth Almy
and Mary Ann Howland - for Longplain Elizabeth Wilber and Betsey
Hillier present except one.

The queries with answers to the 1st, 2nd, and 10th from
our preparative meetings have been read, and a promise as-
signed from the answers, which with an account to the Quarterly
Meeting is to be forwarded thereto by our friends Betsey P. Wood,
Sally Bradford, Elizabeth Swift & Rhoda Howland, whom we appoint
our representatives.

Mary L. Dinsmore (wife of Philip Dinsmore) having
requested a removal certificate to China Monthly Meeting
Lydia Congdon & Rhoda S. Dufford are appointed to prepare one
on her behalf, and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

11 Mo. 1857.

A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting in favor of Henry G. Hoist (a minor) has been read & accepted in consequence with the mens meeting.

Transcripts of acceptable Epistles from Ohio & Indiana Yearly Meetings of women friends have been read at this time.

A proposition from the mens meeting to appoint a committee to consider of a suitable friend or friends right fully qualified to fill the station of Elders of this meeting is fully considered with by us. and Susan Howland, Hannah T. Taber, Deborah Sims, Hepsa Howland, Grace Davis & Abigail Davis are accordingly appointed to unite with a committee of men friends in taking the subject into consideration agreeable to the provisions of our discipline.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk

12 Mo. 25th

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held 12 Mo. 25th 1857.

The representatives for New Bedford are Eliza Hafford & Hannah Allen for Long Plain Phoebe T. Delano and Sylvia H. Ayer. Present except one for whose absence a reason has been given.

Anna Stodd informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Mary W. Dinsmore.

Judith B. Thuesen having requested a removal certificate to 12th Street Monthly Meeting Philadelphia we appoint Deborah Taber & Hannah T. Taber to prepare one on her behalf and present to a future meeting.

The friends appointed to prepare a removal certificate for Mary W. Dinsmore have presented one which is approved & the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland informed this meeting that she had for a length of time felt a concern to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meetings of Salem, Dover and Falmouth, and such of the meetings constituting them as way may open for in the month which concern claiming the consideration of this meeting was fully entered with & she encouraged to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct. She being a minister in unity with us. The Clerks are directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

12th Mo. 1851.

The committee having charge of the Meeting held at Rochester made the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed in 12th Mo last to visit the meeting at Rochester report, that the service has been performed from time to time by members of the committee as way has opened for it & on conferring together they are united in recommending that the meeting be continued as heretofore under the care of a committee.

Which is submitted to the Monthly Meeting

By direction of the Committee

New Bedford

12th Mo 21st 1851.

Tom C. Taber

Rhoda Howland

The above report is united with by this and the men's meeting - and the same committee is reappointed to have the oversight thereof the ensuing year.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeable to appointment.

Sarah H. Anthony, Clerk

1st Mo. 1852

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held 1st Mo. 22nd 1852.

The representatives for New Bedford are Ann H. Dunbar and Susan Knowles for Long Plain Mary I. Taber and Ruth I. Wood - all present.

Having been informed through New Bedford preparative meeting that Avis Tripp (late Bowerman) has married contrary to our discipline - we have appointed Rhoda Howland and Ann H. Dunbar to visit her on the subject of complaint & report to a future meeting.

The friends appointed to prepare a memorial certificate for Lydia H. Huxsey (wife of Edward Huxsey) have reported one which is approved, & the clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

Transcripts of Epistles from London & Dublin Yearly Meetings of women friends have been read & were acceptable to us.

Abigail Howland & Sarah H. Anthony are appointed to unite with a committee of the men's meeting in preparing a memorial certificate for Harrison Mayson & wife to take with them to the Western States & Maine.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk

2nd Mo. 1852.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held

2nd Mo. 26th 1852.

The representatives for Dartmouth are Hannah H. Howland and Susan S. Temple for Longplain Ann A. Macomber and Mary Bradford - who are all present.

Transcripts of Epistles from Baltimore and North Carolina Yearly Meetings of Women Friends have been read and are acceptable to us.

The friends appointed to prepare a removal certificate for Harrison Magoon & his wife Eunice H. Magoon have accordingly presented one which is approved & the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk

3rd Mo. 1852.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held

3rd Mo. 25th 1852.

The representatives for New Bedford are Charlotte D. Garrison & Phoebe Swift for Longplain Phoebe Morse and Betsey P. Wood. who are present except one.

The assistant clerk being absent Abby Holmes is appointed for the day.

The queries with answers from each of our preparative meetings have been read in this and a summary collected from the answers for the Quarterly Meeting, which with an account thereto is to be forwarded by our representatives Rhoda Gifford, Betsey P. Wood, Elizabeth Twiss & Rachel G. Howland.

Mary H. Delano (wife of John A. Delano) having requested a removal certificate to New York Monthly Meeting for herself & niece Eliza Howland a minor - Lydia J. Howland & Sarah H. Anthony are appointed to prepare one on their behalf & present to our next monthly meeting.

A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Joseph Gifford & wife Mary has been read and accepted in concurrence with the men's meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk.

4th mo. 1852.At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held 11th mo.30th mo. 1852.

The representatives for New Bedford are Ruthi Ann and Phoebe Swift for Long Plain Hannah Bradford & Ann A. Macomber who are all present.

The assistant clerk being absent Abby Holmes is appointed to that service for the day.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended.

The friends appointed to prepare a removal certificate to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mary H. O'Leary & her niece Eliza Howland have presented one which is approved & the clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

A removal certificate from New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Cornelia Whissey wife of William H. Whissey has been read and accepted in concurrence with the men's meeting.

The committee appointed in 1st month last to visit Avis Tripp (late Bowdman) presented the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Avis Tripp on account of her deviation in marriage. She informed that she had hitherto expected to attend a meeting of another denomination with her husband, under this consideration we think it unnecessary to visit her again and limited by submit the result to the Monthly Meeting.

Hepsa Howland

Ann H. Dunbar

4th mo. 30th 1852.

The above report is accepted by this meeting, which concludes to discontinue her from membership with us & our friends residing therewith and Elizabeth Bowdman is requested to give her the information.

The Committee appointed in 9th month 1850 to visit Mary Shearman for having married contrary to the order of our discipline, made the following report - viz.

To the Monthly Meeting of New Bedford.

We have had several opportunities with Mary Anne Shearman (late Howland) to a good degree of satisfaction, but she continues desirous to be retained a member of our religious society - which we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

Abigail Davis

Hannah Bradford

Elizabeth Wilbur

1st month 23rd 1852.

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We have also received the following from Mary To Sherrman
in a friendly letter.

Having considered that I have broken a
law of discipline by coming into society in marriage with one
not a member of your Society. It is my sincere desire that you
will so far pass by my offence as to let me remain a member.

Mary To Sherrman,

which report and acknowledgments ~~are~~^{are} accepted by
this meeting and with the concurrence of men friends
she is accordingly restored to membership with us and
Ann H Macomber is appointed to inform thereof.

Our beloved friend Rachel T Howland informed
this meeting that she felt it required of her to attend the
ensuing Yearly Meeting of New York, if way should open
for it in the truths which concern claiming our solid
consideration was feelingly united with and she en-
couraged to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct.
Being a minister in society with us the Clerk is directed
to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

Our beloved friends Wm. C. Taber and wife
Hannah T. Taber informed that they felt a willingness
to accompany our friend Rachel T Howland in her
religious visit to New York Yearly Meeting, which is
fully united with by this & the men's meeting, they
being members in good esteem with us. Hence the
Clerks are directed to furnish them with a minute
conformable to the above.

A removal certificate addressed to Flushing
New York in behalf of Robert King
Russell a minor has been approved in concurrence
with the men's meeting & the Clerk is directed to
sign it on behalf of this.

We appoint our friends Hannah T. Taber &
Rhoda Howland to unite with a committee of the men's
meeting in preparing a removal certificate to East
mouth monthly meeting in behalf of Thomas Luman
and family.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk.

5th Mo. 1852.At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
5th Mo. 27th 1852.

The representatives for New Bedford are Deborah Irving
and Deborah Taber for Long Plain Mary Tifford & Elizabeth Tripp
All present.

Donas S. Tucker is appointed assistant clerk for the day.

The committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Thomas Luman and family have presented one which is approved in concurrence with the men's meeting & directed to be signed on behalf of this.

Elizabeth Bowman informed that she had attended to her appointment in the case of Mrs. Tripp.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk.

6th Month.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 6th Mo. 24th 1852.

The representatives for New Bedford are Deborah Taber & Ann H. Dunbar for Long Plain Edna Hillier & Elizabeth Twither present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The assistant clerk being absent Ann H. Dunbar is appointed for the day.

Our beloved friend Martha Under attended this meeting with a satisfactory testimonial from Sandwich Monthly & Town Quarterly Meeting State of New Hampshire her company and religious services have been acceptable to us. The Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

We are informed through Long Plain representative meeting that Lucia Hastings (late Pierce) has married contrary to the order of our Society on which account we appointed Bessie P. Todd and Elizabeth Twither to visit her and report to a future meeting.

Our beloved friend Rachel F. Howland received the minute granted her last month with a satisfactory account of the accomplishment of the service for which she was then liberated accompanied with a minute from New York bearing testimony of Ministers & Elders of her company and religious services having been acceptable to them.

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Our beloved friends William L. Taber and wife Hannah L. Taber returned the minute furnished them by this meeting to attend New York Yearly Meeting as companions to our friend Rachel F. Henderson with a copy of a minute from that meeting expressive of their company having been acceptable.

A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Lydia Ann Ricketson, wife of Benjamin Ricketson has been read & accepted in concurrence with the present meeting.

Our beloved friend Daniel Barker attended this meeting with a certificate from Holy Spring Monthly Meeting, endorsed by Southern Quarterly Meeting, and one from North Carolina Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders, expressive of unity with his Ministry and present religious engagement. His coming & religious services have been acceptable to us.

Our esteemed friends Joseph Rawlin of Marlborough Monthly Meeting, North Carolina companion to Daniel Barker and Oliver Meader of Sandwich Monthly Meeting New Hampshire companion to Martha Meader attended this meeting with minutes of unity from their respective Meetings their company has been acceptable to us.

The Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Maine meeting in furnishing the above named friends with minutes conformable to those issued on their behalf.

The queries with answers to the three usually considered from each of our preparative meetings have been read in this meeting a summary of which is to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives Lydia Congdon, Abigail Davis, Mary L. Taber and Hannah L. Taber.

Ann A. Macomber reports that she has attended to her appointment respecting Mary W. Shearman.

Sarah H. Anthony, Clerk.

7th Mo. 1852

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
22nd of 7th Month 1852.

The representatives for New Bedford are Deborah Taber and Phebe Kelley for Longplain Ruth F Wood & Ann A Macomber who are all present.

The assistant Clerk being absent Dorcas F Tuck-
er is appointed for the day.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting re-
port that they attended.

The overseers of New Bedford prepar-
ative meeting inform us that Sarah J. A. Hussey has uni-
ted herself in membership with another religious society
on which account Hannah H. Taber & Sarah H. H. H. are
appointed to confer with her and report to a future meeting.

John Davis having requested a removal certificate
to Sandwich Monthly Meeting - Lydia Congdon & Edwin F. Howland
are appointed to prepare one on his behalf and present it at our next
Monthly Meeting.

We have received and read at this time Extracts
from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting embracing the annu-
al report of the Boarding-School Committee - a recommenda-
tion that greater care be taken in our Monthly & preparative
Meetings in recording births, deaths & burials - an alteration of
discipline whereby the article in relation to marrying in the kin-
dred by affinity is repealed - and another relative to burial
grounds which are all satisfactory to this meeting.

We appoint our friends Elizabeth Wilber, Sarah
H. Anthony, Ann A. Macomber, and Phebe F. Delans to co-opera-
te with the committee appointed at our last Yearly Meeting in
soliciting subscriptions for the purposes of repairs and im-
provements of the Boarding School house. Our attention hav-
ing been called to the subject by the report of the School com-
mittee and we desire that none may feel discouraged because
of their inability to contribute much - but that they may feel
assured, that however small may be their donation it will
be acceptable.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly
Meeting of Women friends have been read to our delight
at this time.

Our beloved friend Charles Taber attended this meet-
ing with a leave of absence from Barnstable Monthly Meeting
which with his company & religious services have been

The time having expired for which the tickets of said ladies were appointed. Lucia Congdon, Mary Gifford & Godde Davis are requested to select friends for that service and propose them to our next Monthly Meeting.

The friends appointed to confer with Sarah J. A. Hudson on account of her having connected herself with another religious denomination made the following Report viz. To the Monthly Meeting

We have attended to our appointment in the case of Sarah J. S. Hussey. She manifests much regard for friends and says, she

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estimates it a privilege frequently to attend our meetings but has united herself with another religious denomination. We submit the subject to the Monthly Meeting believing further labor promises will not be useless.

Hannah T. Haber

New Bedford 8th Dec 26th 1852.

Sarah H. Anthony

which is accepted and she is accordingly disowned from membership with us having the unity of the men's meeting therein and Dorcas & Tucker is appointed to inform her thereof.

Transcript of an Epistle from London Yearly Meeting of 1851-2 men friends has been acceptably read at the present opportunity.

Sarah H. Anthony. Clerk.

9th Dec.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held 9th Dec. 23rd 1852.

The representatives for New Bedford are Ruth Stiny & Lovey Kempton for Longplain Abigail Davis & Elizabeth G. Wilber - who are all present.

The friends appointed for the purpose report that they are united in proposing Sarah H. Anthony for Clerk and Dorcas & Tucker for assistant Clerk of this meeting - which is united with, and they are accordingly appointed for the ensuing year or untill another appointment.

The queries with answers to the usual three from each of our preparative meetings have been read in this & a summary collected from the answers - which with an account to the Quarterly Meeting is to be forwarded there to by our representatives Betsy P. Wood, Ann H. Dunbar, Phoebe Swift and Rachel T. Howland.

Our beloved friend Thomas Jones attended this meeting, with a minute of unity from Durham Monthly Meeting - which with his company and religious services have been truly acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Joshua Douglass attended this meeting as companion to Thomas Jones - with a satisfactory minute from Durham Monthly Meeting his company has also been acceptable to us - And the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the men's meeting in furnishing them with minutes conformable to the above.

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Dennis T. Tucker reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Sarah J. A. Hudson.

Minutes of our Epistle from Dublin Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends has been read and was acceptable to us.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk.

1st Mo. 1852.

New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 10th Mo. 28th 1852.

The representatives for New Bedford are Eliza Haffards and Elizabeth Borman for Long-plain. Mary Ann Wing & Elizabeth Swift. All present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeably to appointment.

The committee appointed to co-operate with a committee appointed by our last Yearly Meeting in soliciting subscriptions for the purposes of repairs and improvement of the Boarding School property at Providence report that they have attended thereto, and have collected the sum of one hundred and seventy dollars, and placed the same in the hands of that committee, which is satisfactory to this meeting.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned the minute furnished her in 12th Mo. month last and informed that she had been enabled to attend the Quarterly Meetings of Salem, Dover and Falmouth and all the meetings constituting them greatly to the relief and peace of her mind. We have also received copies of minutes from Falmouth Quarterly & Incare Monthly Meetings expressive of her company and religious services having been acceptable to them which is satisfactory to this meeting.

The Committee appointed in 6th Mo. last to visit Lydia Hastings late Pierce on account of her deviation in marriage, presented the following report viz.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Dear Friends

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Lydia Hastings late Pierce, in a good degree of satisfaction. We think her sincere in her attachment to friends, and desires to be continued a member of our religious society. Which we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

Betsy J. Wood.

Elizabeth I. Fisher

New Bedford 10th Mo. 28th 1852.

16th Mo. 1852. — Which report with the following acknowledgments is accepted by this meeting and she is accordingly retained in membership with ^{us} men friends uniting therein and Hannah ^{Trapp} is appointed to give her the information
 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends.

Dear Friends,

Hannah has neglected the rules of a sister by associating with one who is not a member. Hope friends will go as far as possible in deviation as to retain me still in membership with them.

Lycia Haskins

Annuity certificate to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Augustus Taber has been approved in concurrence with the mens meeting, and directed to be signed on behalf of this.

The time having expired for which the overseers of this meeting were appointed Rhoda Howland, Abigail Davis, Sarah H. Anthony, Susan Kimpton, Mary Difford, Deborah Tillman Rhoda Difford and Rachel S. Howland are appointed to make a selection of suitable friends for that service and propose them to our next Monthly Meeting. The time having expired for which the overseers for the poor were appointed the selection of friends for that service is referred to the same committee.

We appoint our friends Tobias S. Tucker, Lydia Y. Henshaw, Ruth Hing, Betsy P. Wood, Hannah Trapp, Mary Difford, Phoebe S. Edwards and Lycia Congdon a committee for the ensuing year to furnish certificates to such children as may be thought suitable to enter our Yearly Meeting Boarding School.
 Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk.

11th Month.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held

11th Month 25th 1852.

The representatives for New Bedford are Hannah Allen & Betsy Hadden for Long Plain Elizabeth Macomber and Mary L. Taber who are all presides.

The assistant clerk being absent Ann H. Sumner is appointed for the day.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Appointments, overseers Report that they are united in proposing Rhoda Howland, Lycia S. Howland, Lycia Congdon and Ruth Hing as overseers for New Bedford Preparative Meeting and Hannah Trapp, Betsy P. Wood, Ruth S. Wood and Elizabeth S. Trimmer for Long Plain which is satisfactory to this meeting and they are accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

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The committee also report for messengers of the year for New Bedford Sarah Howland, Maria Richman, Rhoda Tifford and Sarah McAnthony - for Longplain - Harriette Wing Elizabeth Swift, Phoebe Delano & Abby Holmes - which is united with and in an appointment accordingly for the ensuing year.

We have received at this time copies of minutes from Salem & Dover Quarterly Meetings expressive of satisfaction with the company & religious services of our beloved friend Susan Howland among friends of said meetings.

Statement

The committee appointed to make a selection of friends to receive this meeting as Eiders report, that they are united in being to increasing devotion being for that station. Having the approbation of the Station, Boston's committee therein which is fully united with by this and the Men's Meeting and the subject is referred to the Quarterly Meeting.

A removal certificate from Nine Partners Monthly Meeting on behalf of three minor sons of the late David P. Harnan viz. Abraham P. Henry P. and John P. Harnan has been received in concurrence with the mens meeting.

This meeting unites with the mens in disowning the right of membership of Henry P. Howland.

The queries have been read with answers to the usual three from each of our preparative meetings and a summary thereof from which with an account to the Quarterly Meeting is to be forwarded by our friends Della Bradford, Sarah McAnthony, Folsom Wood and Lydia Wright whom we appoint our representatives.

Sarah McAnthony - Clerk.

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At New Bedford. Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 12th Month 23rd 1852.

The representatives for New Bedford are Phoebe Swift and Susan Remington for Long Plain Abby Holmes and Mary Tifford - who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeably to appointment.

The London Printed Epistle of last year containing excellent counsel and encouragement, has been read at this time.

The committee having charge of the meeting held at Rochester presented the following report viz

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To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee under appointment to have the care of the Meetings at Rochester report that they have given some attention to that subject, and have at times visited them, particularly on first days to a good degree of satisfaction.

The responsibility and care of keeping up the midweek meeting devolves mostly upon a very few friends, and it is sometimes difficult for them to attend in stormy weather on account of their distance from the meeting-house and other attendant circumstances, and the meeting is consequently sometimes very small. On first days the meeting is attended by a considerable number of members of society and others who we think would not be willing to have it suspended. And we are united in recommending that it should be continued as heretofore under the care of a Committee.

On behalf of the Committee

12th Mo 23rd 1852.

William P Howland

Hannah T Taber

The above report is accepted by this meeting in concurrence with the Men's - and the same committee is reappointed to have the oversight thereof for the ensuing year.

Sarah H Anthony-Clarke.

1st Mo. 1853.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 1st Month 27th 1853.

The representatives for New Bedford are Rhoda L. Gifford & Eliza Haffaras - for Longplain Ruth P Wood and Ann A Macomber - all present.

Transcripts of Epistles from New York and Baltimore Yearly Meetings of Women friends have been read to our satisfaction at the present time.

Our beloved friend David Dudley attended this meeting with a minute from St. Albans Monthly Meeting expressive of unity with his ministry and present religious engagements. His company & religious services have been truly acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Tom Parr attended this meeting as companion to our friend David Dudley and presented a minute of unity from Litchfield Monthly Meeting. His company has also been acceptable to us. And the Clerks are directed

1st Mo. 1853. to furnish them with minutes expressive of the sense of this Meeting.

A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of George B. Almy D^r has been read and accepted in concurrence with the men's meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk.

2nd Month 24th of 2nd Month 1853.

The representatives for New Bedford are Rhoda T. Gifford & Phoebe Swift for Longplain Sylvia H. Nye and Sarah L. Wing - all present except one.

Manuscript of an interesting and acceptable Epistle from North Carolina Yearly Meeting of Women friends has been read at this time.

Charles Taber and Sarah Jane Howland having informed this meeting of their intentions of marriage with each other Lydia Congdon & Dorcas F. Tucker are appointed to take the required care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The Committee on the subject of Elders Report - that they are united in proposing Betsey P. Wood & Sarah H. Anthony for that station having the approbation of the Quarterly Meetings committee thereon - which being united with by this & the men's meeting - the subject is referred to the Quarterly Meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony, Clerk.

3rd Month

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 3rd Month 24th 1853.

The representatives for New Bedford are Ruth Almy and Sarah Howland - for Longplain Mary Ann Wing and Mary Swift two of whom are present for the absence of the others satisfactory reasons were given.

The queries with answers from each of our preparative Meetings have been read in this & a summary collected therefrom which with an account to the Quarterly Meeting is to be forwarded thereto by our representatives Mary Gifford, Dorcas F. Tucker, Elizabeth Swift, Hannah Lipp & Sylvia S. Howland.

A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Lydia G. Allen has been read & accepted.

Manuscript of an acceptable Epistle from Ohio Yearly Meeting of Women friends has been read at this time.

The friends appointed to report that they find nothing to prevent Sarah Jane Howland from proceeding in marriage.

Jan. Mrs. 1853. with Charles Taber and they having consent of parents are left at liberty to solemnize their marriage according to the good order of our discipline. Rhoda T. Gifford & Dorcas H. Tucker are appointed to have the oversight thereof & report to our next monthly meeting.

Wm. G. Wing having removed within the limits of Providence Monthly Meeting requests our certificate for himself his wife Hannah & and their minor son George H. Wing. We appoint Sarah H. Anthony and Hannah T. Taber to unite with a committee of the mens meeting in preparing one on their behalf and present to our next monthly meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk.

4th Month. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held 4th Month. 28th 1853

The representatives for New Bedford are Susan Knowles and Phoebe Russell for Longplain Betsey, Giddens & Phoebe O'Leary, who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeably to appointment.

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Charles Taber & Sarah Jane Howland report that it was conducted in an orderly manner.

The Committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate to Providence Monthly Meeting on behalf of William G. Wing & family have accordingly presented one which is approved & the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk.

5th Month. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held 5th Month 26th 1853.

The representatives for New Bedford are Maria Tobey & Susan Kimpton for Longplain Ruth S. Wood & Abby Holmes. All present.

Manuscript of an excellent Epistle from Indiana Yearly Meeting of women friends has been acceptably received at this time.

A proposition from Longplain preparative meeting that that meeting should be held one third of the time at Fairhaven was laid before us and fully united with in concurrence with the mens meeting. And it is concluded that said meeting shall in future be held as follows viz. at Longplain the 1st, 4th, 7th and 10th Months.

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At Acushnet Inds 5th, 8th, and 11th Months - Fairhaven 3rd, 6th, 9th & 12th Months - We also unite with the proposition that the afternoon meetings at Fairhaven commence at 3 o'clock on first day afternoon instead of 4 o'clock as heretofore held.

This meeting unites with the judgement of the messrs in restoring the rights of membership to Ezra Gifford - It also unites with a similar judgement of this meeting respecting Charles Mumbers.

A memorial certificate addressed to Philadelphia Monthly Meeting for the Western district on behalf of Joseph L. D. Baker minor son of Ruth H. Baker has been approved and the clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

We are informed that Hannah Tripp has attended to her appointment in the case of Lydia Hasskins.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 6th Month, 23^d of 6th Month 1853.

The representatives for New Bedford are Ruth Almy and Anna G. Wood - For Long Plain Hannah Bradford, and Susan B. Hempton - All Present.

The queries with answers to the first, second and tenth from each of our preparative meetings have been read in this, and a summary compiled from the answers which with an account is to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives Rhoda T. Gifford, Hannah H. Taber, Hannah Tripp & Betsey P. Wood.

Our beloved friend Anna Thornburg attended this meeting with a minute of unity from Walnut Ridge Monthly Meeting expressive of unity with her ministry & present religious engagement - her company & Gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friends Joel Gilbert & Lucia Bell attended this meeting as companions to Anna Thornburg with minutes of unity from Hopewell Monthly Meeting which with their company & solid deportment has been satisfactory to us.

Our beloved friends Nathaniel Lanes from Cornwall Monthly Meeting New York - and Enos Pray from Springfield Monthly Meeting, Ohio have also been with us at this time presenting satisfactory testimonials from their respective Meetings - their company and

6th Mo. 1853 religious services have been truly acceptable to us. The Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the men's meeting in furnishing the above named friends with minutes embracing the substance of those made on their behalf.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland in a weighty manner informed this meeting that she had for several years believed that it would be required of her to attend in Gospel love the Yearly Meetings of Indiana, Baltimore & North Carolina & such of the meetings within their limits as way may open for in the truth - & that she now believed the time had fully come for her to spread her concern before her friends - After a season of solemn deliberation her prospect was fully and feelingly united with, and she encouraged to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct. She being a minister in good unity with us. And the Clerks are directed to furnish her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

A removal certificate from Nine Partners Monthly Meeting on behalf of Hepsa H. Theasman & her five minor children viz. Joseph H. Mary C. Alice D. Isaac H. and David S. Theasman - and one from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Samuel W. Snow & his wife Mary C. with their minor children viz. Mariana, Thomas Knowles, Sarah Barker, Marcia W. and George Morton. Have been read and accepted in concurrence with the men's meeting. And we appoint our friends Deborah Tallman & Rachel P. Howland to visit them on account of their becoming members of this meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk.

7th Month At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held 7th Month 28th 1853.

The representatives for New Bedford are Hannah Leonard & Susan Kempton - for Longplaine Betsey G. Wood & Mary Swift - who being called are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeably to appointment.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting embracing the Annual Report of the Boarding School Committee & an interesting article upon the subject of Slavery have been read - together with Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting of women friends. All of which were satisfactory & encouraging to us.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk.

8th Mo. 1853.

St. New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 8th Month 25th 1853.

The representatives for New Bedford are Susan
Rempston & Maria Tobey - for Long Plain Ruth P Wood and Abigail Davis
all present.

The friends appointed to visit Hepsa H. Thearman and
Samuel to Snow with their families on account of the reception of their
certificates of removal within the limits of this meeting report that
they have attended thereto.

The London General Epistle of last year containing
much excellent counsel and encouragement has been acceptably
read.

We unite with the judgement of the men's meeting in re-
storing the right of membership to John H. Gardner.

The time having expired for which the Clerks of this
Meeting were appointed ^{Rachel P. Woodland & Rufus P. Wood are appointed} to confer with some friends upon that
subject & propose them to our next Monthly Meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk.

9th Month

St. New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 22nd of 9th
Month 1853.

The representatives for New Bedford are Phoebe Swift
and Ann H. Dunbar - for Long Plain Mary Gifford & Sally Bradford
present, except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason has
been given.

The friends appointed upon the subject of Clerks report
that they are united in proposing the reappointment of Sarah
H. Anthony for Clerk and Dorcas F. Tucker for assistant - which
being approved by this meeting they are accordingly appointed
to that service for the ensuing Year or untill another
appointment.

The queries with answers to the usual three from
each of our preparative Meetings have been read and a
summary compiled from the answers, which with an
account is to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our
representatives Deborah Tallman, Elizabeth G. Twiss, Debo-
rah Thearman, Phoebe Swift & Ruth P. Wood.

Transcripts of Epistles from London & Dublin
Yearly Meetings of Women Friends have been acceptably
read at the present opportunity.

A removal certificate addressed to
Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of ~~Deborah~~

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9th Mo. 1853. Charles J. Howe has been approved in concurrence with the
men's meeting & the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of
his.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk.

10th Month.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 27th of 10th month 1853.

The representatives for New Bedford are Hannah
H. Taber and Betsy Hilley for Longplain Betsy H. Wood and
Elizabeth Macomber - two of whom are present for the absence
of the other two satisfactory reasons have been given.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report
that they attended with the exception of one who was
prevented by sickness in her family.

We are informed through New Bedford preparative
Meeting that Elizabeth B. Redman (late Houssey) has
married contrary to the rules of our discipline with one
in membership with us on which account we appoint
Rachel S. Howland & Lydia S. Howland to visit her and
report to a future meeting.

Robert Steere & Abbie E. Wilber having informed
this meeting of their intentions of marriage with each other
Ruth S. Wood & Mary Gifford are appointed to take the required
care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

A removal certificate from Saratoga Monthly Meeting
on behalf of Pelag Howland & his wife Susan has been accepted
in concurrence with the men's meeting - and Dorcas F. Tucker
& Sarah H. Anthony are appointed to visit them on the
account.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk.

11th Month.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 24th of 11th month 1853.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meet-
ing are Deborah Taber & Mary E. Snow from Longplain
Hannah Bradford & Maria Ann Tving. All present.

In the absence of the Clerk Dorcas F. Tucker is ap-
pointed Clerk & Anna G. Wood assistant for the day.

The queries with answers to the first, second & third
from each of our preparative meetings have been read in
the, and a summary compiled from the answers, which
with an account to the quarterly Meeting is to be forwarded
through our representatives Ruth S. Wood, Lydia S.

11th Mo. 1853. Haver - Love Simpson & Agnes Davis.

We are informed through New Bedford preparative work, that Catherine Hoskins (late Thornton) has married in a manner contrary to our discipline with one in membership with us on which account we appoint Hannah S. Taber & Leonard Leonard to visit her and report to a future meeting.

The friends appointed to visit Polly Howland and wife on account of the reception of their certificate of removal within the limits of this meeting report that they have attended to their appointment.

The friends appointed last month's report that their friend Abbie H. Wilbur clear to proceed in marriage with Robert there and having consent of parents are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the good sense of our discipline. Hannah S. Taber & Leonard S. Taber are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed to visit Elizabeth S. Rodman on account of her deviation in marriage have produced the following report.

To the Monthly Meeting.

At our appointment we have visited Elizabeth Rodman (late Hussey) on account of her deviation in the manner of accomplishing her marriage - She expressed her attachment to and respect for the Society of Friends, but did not expect to be retained as a member under present circumstances.

We were united in the opinion that the usual course of the discipline must be pursued in her case - which we submit to the judgment of the Monthly Meeting.

Livia S. Howland
Rachel S. Howland

which is united with and she is disowned from membership with us having the concurrence of many friends there in. Anna Rachel S. Howland & Sylvia S. Howland are appointed to inform her of the judgment of this meeting.

This meeting concurs with the judgment of the previous meeting in disowning Francis Rodman his right of membership with us.

This meeting unites with the judgment of the previous meeting in continuing Timothy Davis a member of our religious Society.

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The time having expired for which the overseers and overseers of the poor of this meeting were appointed Rachel H. Howland, Deborah Tallman, Abigail Davis, Hannah H. Taber and Mary Bigger are appointed to select suitable names for that service and present them to our next monthly meeting.

Doan & Tucker Clerk for the day.

12th month

St. New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held 12 mo. 22nd 1853.

The representatives from New Bedford preparative meeting are Anna B. Torrey & Lydia Russell for Long Plain and Hannah Tripp for the same.

The representatives to the Quarterly Convention report that it is attended according to appointment.

The friends appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Robert Store & Abbie E. Wilbur report that it was conducted in an orderly manner.

The committee to whose care the selection of overseers of this meeting was assigned report that they have conferred together and are united in proposing the following names for New Bedford viz. Lydia H. Howland, Phebe Russell, Ruth Stone and Hannah H. Taber for Long Plain. Susan H. Howland, Lodi Bradford, Ruth A. Wood and Elizabeth H. Wilbur. They also propose a committee consisting of the friends who served in the last year viz. Susan Howland, Sarah H. Anthony, Sophia Dickerson & Rhoda A. Coffin for New Bedford. For Long Plain Mary Ann Wing, Phebe A. Stone and Abigail Holmes which propositions are well received and they are appointed to those services respectively for the ensuing year or until another appears.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned the minute granted her in 1st month last accompanied with minutes from Indiana, Baltimore and North Carolina year meetings. Also from Shum Creek Quaker Meeting & the Monthly Meetings. Amherst, Wick, Greenwich and Topsham are expressive of her cordials and religious services having been acceptable to them. With the account she has rendered of her visit is satisfactory to us.

A removal certificate from Rhode Island Monthly meeting on behalf of Eliza C. Davis (wife of Richard Davis) has been read and accepted in concurrence with the same meeting. and Hannah Tripp, Anna A. Macomber are appointed to visit her on the account.

12th Mo 1853

The Committee having charge of the Meeting at Rochester presented the following report for:

To the Monthly Meeting

We Committee appointed to have the oversight of the meeting at Rochester report that they have given attention to this appointment, and that the meeting has been attended from time to time as way has opened for it, generally, to a good degree of satisfaction. On conferring together they are united in proposing that the meeting be continued as heretofore held under the care of a Committee.

On behalf and by direction of the Committee

Wm. L. Taber

New Bedford 12th Mo. 21. 1853

Rhoda Howland

The above report being united with in this and the Men's meeting, we appoint Mary Dufford, Rhoda Howland, Betsey P. Wood, Rachel L. Howland, Phoebe Swift, Susan, Thompson, Ruth L. Wood, Sarah H. Anthony, Cyrus W. Tucker, Phoebe L. Delano, Louisa Cowen, Polly Bradford, Lydia H. Ayer, Abigail Davis, Sarah Howland, Ann H. Dunbar, Eliza A. Davis, Hannah Tripp, Susan Howland, Deborah Shearman and Hannah L. Taber to have the oversight thereof for the ensuing year.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk

19th month 1854

New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 12th month 26th 1854.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Deborah Taber & Maria Tobey - for Long-plain Betsey Hillier & Elizabeth G. Wilber - two of whom are present for the absence of the others satisfactory reasons are given.

The friends appointed to inform Elizabeth Goodman of the judgement of this meeting respecting her report that they have attended thereto.

A transcript of an acceptable Epistle from New York Yearly Meeting of Women friends has been read at this time.

On information received from a committee of the same meeting appointed to examine the accounts of the Committee having charge of the Charity fund of our late friend Abraham Shearman jun^r it appears that there has been distributed to seven-teen persons Eighty-two ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ dollars, and have on hand a balance of Twenty-two ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ dollars. which is satisfactory to this meeting & Eliza Howland, Rachel L. Howland, Lydia L.

1st Mo. 1854. Howland, Ann H. Dunbar, Ruth Davis and Betsey G. Wood are appointed to cooperate with a committee of the Men's Meeting in having charge thereof for the year ensuing.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk

2nd Mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends.
Held 23rd of 2nd Month. 1854.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Hannah H. Howland + Sarah M. Howland for Long-Plain. Mary Ann Wing + Hannah Bradford still present.

The committee appointed in 11th Month last to treat with Catharine Hoskins (late Thornton) on account of her deviation in marriage from the order of our discipline presented the following report. VIZ.

To the Monthly Meeting

According to appointment we have conferred with Catharine Hoskins - late Thornton - on account of her being married in a manner contrary to the order of our Society. She does not appear desirous of retaining her right of membership with us, nor do we apprehend any further labor from us will be useful - We therefore submit the case to the Monthly Meeting.

Hannah Leonard

New Bedford 3rd Mo. 22nd 1854.

Hannah T. Taber.

Which is accepted by this meeting and having the concurrence of the Men's, she is disowned from membership with us, and Sylvia G. Howland is appointed to inform her thereof.

A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Phoebe B. wife of Esig Strum - has been read and accepted and Rhoda Howland + Hannah T. Taber are appointed to visit her on account thereof.

A removal certificate addressed to Providence Monthly Meeting on behalf of George and Robert T. Wing - Minors - has been approved in concurrence with the men's Meeting and the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this.

We are informed from the Men's Meeting that Allen Kelley requests a removal certificate for himself + family to Sandwich Monthly Meeting. We appoint Sarah H. Anthony + Lydia Conant to unite with a committee of the Men's Meeting in preparing one on their behalf + present to a future meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk

3rd Mo. 1854

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends friends
held 2nd of 3rd Mo. 1854.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative
Meeting are Ruth Stone & Sophia Richardson. J. Stone, John Tolly,
W. Good, Mary L. Taber - all present.

We gave with us letters from our representatives
and have read in this and a consensus of opinion
from the members of the Quarterly Meeting which on
account is to be forwarded thereto by our representatives
at the time. Friends, Bradford, Lydia L. Woodland and
Ruth L. Wood.

The friends appointed to visit Phoebe B. Thomas on
account of the reception of her certificate report that they have
attended thereto.

John H. Woodland reports that he has attended
an appointment in the case of Catherine H. Smith.

Our beloved friend Obadiah Chase attended this
meeting with a satisfactory minute from Livansco Monthly
Meeting. His company and religious services have been accept-
able to us. The clerk is directed to sign an endorsement in his
minute conformable to the above.

We are informed through New Bedford preparative
Meeting that Louisa Howe (late Russell) has married in a manner
contrary to the order of our discipline, on which account William
Saltman and Sarah H. Smith are appointed to visit her, and
report the result thereof to a future meeting.

Charles B. Samson having received a certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting Lydia L. Woodland and
Joseph F. Tucker are appointed to prepare one on her behalf & pre-
sent it at the next meeting.

This meeting adjourns with the judgment of the meeting
in receiving George Thompson into membership with us.

We have also appointed a committee to visit at certifi-
cate to the meeting. The meeting is held at the Halloway and
family have accordingly presented one which is also read. The
clerk directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland is unable to
attend this meeting on account of the length of time apprehended that it would be in the way of her religious
duty to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting of Friends, and
therefore we have appointed a committee to visit her in its tem-
-ible way, and report for us the result. - which concerns

Sam. H. Johnson - Clerk

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5th Mo. 1854.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 5th month 25th 1854.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative
meeting are Phoebe Swift & Hannah Bowman for Long Point
Betsy G. Wood & Phoebe Gilman. All present.

The Committee appointed to visit Phoebe H. Allen
presented the following report viz.

We have attended to our appoint-
ment in the case of Phoebe H. Allen's request to become a
member of our religious society, and are united in
believing that she is fully convinced of Friends prin-
ciples, and that it is her duty to make the request
and we believe it will be right to receive her
which we submit to the consideration of the Monthly
Meeting.

Sylvia Congdon
Hannah H. Howland

New Bedford 5th Mo. 24th 1854.

which is united with and she is accordingly
received into membership with us having the concurrence
of the mess. meeting therein and Hannah Howland is
appointed to give her the information.

Transcripts of Epistles from other Indianas
Yearly Meetings of Women Friends have been read & were
acceptable to us.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk.

6th Month

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 22nd of 6th month 1854.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative
Meeting are Phoebe Swift and Anna G. Wood for Long Point
Louisa Green. Betsy Hittin. present except Phoebe

Hannah Howland informed that she had
attended to her appointment in the case of Phoebe H. Allen.

The queries with answers to the first, second and
tenth from each of our preparative Meetings have been
read in this form which a summary has been compiled
and with an account to the Quarterly Meeting is to be
forwarded thereto by our representatives Sylvia Congdon,
Hannah Howland, Sylvia Congdon, Sarah H. Anthony.

6th Mo. 1854.

Our beloved friend John L. Eddy attended this meeting with a message from Greenwich Monthly Meeting. His message to them. Local Quakers visiting this. His message. Religious services have been very acceptable to us.

Our esteemed friend Stephen L. Water's attended this meeting as a companion to our friend John L. Eddy and presented a copy of a message from Greenwich Monthly Meeting. His message. His department has been satisfactory to us. The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the Green's Meeting in signing instruments in their minutes expressed in the sense of this Meeting.

Our beloved friend Ruth Davis informed this meeting that she had for some time past been required to attend the Monthly Meeting of Salem and to visit the families belonging thereto. After a season of solid abolition her concern was fully revived with and she felt at liberty to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct—being a minister in society with us and the clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minutes.

A remount certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of John E. King has been read and accepted in concurrence with the Green's Meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony—Clerk.

7th Mo. 1854.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 7th month 27th 1854.

The representatives from New Bedford were Deborah Sullivan & Deborah Taber—for Longplain Sylvia L. Twick and Phoebe & Elana—who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeably to appointment.

Our beloved friend Joel Smith attended this meeting producing a message from Greenwich Monthly Meeting. His message. His department has been satisfactory to us. The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the Green's Meeting in signing instruments in their minutes expressed in the sense of this Meeting.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting are being reported in the boarding school from which a note in this respecting the 4th evening of our discipline recommending the

1st Mo. 1854. It is well known to the use of statistics figures. There in future
be made more definite have been read at this time. Also
the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting of Women
Friends and the London Annual Epistle of last year, all of
which were acceptable & satisfactory to us.

Sarah H. Anthony-Clerk

8th Mo. 1854. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 24th of 8th Month 1854.

The representatives for New Bedford
for previous meetings are Sarah Hampton & Phoebe Knight for
Longplain Abbey Holmes & Betsey Hiller. Are all present.

Transcripts of Epistles from London & Dublin Yearly
Meetings of Women Friends containing the counsel and
affectionate encouragement have been read at this time.
and Rachel G Howland, Sylvia G Howland, Ph. & J. Gifford;
Sally Bradford, Mary Gifford, Susan G Hampton, and Margaret
Haines are appointed to visit some of our members who by age or
other infirmities are prevented from mingling with us in a
meeting capacity & read to them the Extracts from the minutes
& our last Yearly Meeting & other documents received through
the meeting as well as some letters to be useful.

Sarah H. Anthony-Clerk

9th Mo. 1854. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 28th of 9th Month 1854.

The representatives for New Bedford
for previous meetings are Elizabeth Howland & Susan Howland
for Longplain Susan B Hampton and Sylvia G. Smith, who
are all present.

The queries with answers for the first
second month from each of our representative meetings
have been read in this, a summary of which with
an account to the Quarterly Meeting is to be prepared
and there to be our representatives Susan G Hampton
- on, Phoebe Knight, Elizabeth G. Smith & Sally Bradford.

Miss C. Howland wife of Artist Howland having
concluded a course of criticism to Providence Monthly
Meeting. Betsey G. Wood & Mary Gifford are appointed
to prepare one in her behalf & present to a future meeting.

9th mo. 1854.

Transacting an English periodical, the very nature of the new friends has been acceptably, since at this time.

This meeting unites with the judgment of the mass in dis-
cussing the right of membership of John C. Hampton.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk.

10th month

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, some minds
were 10th month 26th 1854.

The representatives of New Bedford preparatory
meeting are Maria Weston & Elizabeth Wood. - for Long-
Island Elizabeth C. Miller & Susan C. Thompson are present.

The representatives to the summer meeting report
that they attended except one, who was prevented by in-
disposition.

The friends appointed to prepare a removal certi-
ficate to Providence Monthly Meeting on behalf of Abner E. Stone
have accordingly presented one which is approved and the
clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

A removal certificate from Suffolk County meeting
on behalf of Mary Jane Taber - Wife of Abraham J. Taber - has
been accepted & Dorcas F. Tucker & Betty P. Wood are ap-
pointed to visit her on the account.

The time having expired for which the
tasks of this meeting were appointed Sarah H. An-
thony & Dorcas F. Tucker are reappointed for the ensu-
ing year or until another appointment.

Sarah H. Anthony (Clerk)

11th month.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, some minds
were 11th month 23rd 1854.

The representatives on the summer
meeting are Dorcas F. Tucker & Elizabeth Brownson for Long-Island
Elizabeth C. Miller and Lydia Carter who are all present.

The friends appointed to visit Mary Jane Taber
report of the reception of her removal certificate
if they have attended thereto.

The friends appointed to prepare a removal certi-
ficate to Providence Monthly Meeting on behalf of Abner E. Stone
have accordingly presented one which is approved and the
clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

11th Mo. 1834. is to be furnished there to be our representatives. Betsy
 & Wood, Lydia & Howland, Hannah & Howland & H. J.
 Holmes whom we appoint to that service.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned in min-
 ute furnished her in 3rd month last accompanied with a
 minute from the meeting of Ministers & Elders of New York
 yearly meeting held the 1st and 2nd of 6th month and one from
 each of the Monthly Meetings of Misses Purchase, Shappagans,
 Smithwick, Pennam, Berwick & George Town all expressive
 of her company & religious services having been acceptable to
 them, which with the interesting account she has under-
 ed of her visit is satisfactory to this meeting.

Our beloved friend Ruth Davis returned the minute
 furnished her in 6th month last and informed that she
 had been enabled to perform the service to which she was
 then liberated by this meeting to the peace & satisfaction of
 her own mind. We have also received a minute from
 Salem Monthly Meeting informing that she had attended
 that meeting & visited nearly all the families belonging
 thereto & that her company & religious services were accep-
 table and encouraging to them.

Our esteemed friends Tom. & Hannah S. Davis received
 the minute granted them by this meeting to accompany our friend
 Susan Howland in her late religious visit within the limits of
 New York Yearly Meeting. They also presented a minute from
 New York and one from each of the Monthly Meetings of
 Misses Purchase, Shappagans, Smithwick, Pennam, Berwick and
 George Town expressive of their company having been acceptable
 to friends of those meetings.

A removal certificate from Gilead Monthly Meeting
 State of Ohio on behalf of George Francis his wife Mary Luke
 and their three children Joseph Parker & Elizabeth & Susan
 also one from the same meeting on behalf of their daughter
 Mary Haber Francis have been accepted in connection with
 the Miners Meeting and Elizabeth G. Wilber, Susan G. How-
 land & Mary D. Haber are appointed to visit the family on the
 account.

Sarah H. Ashmun Clerk

12th Mo. 1854

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New Bedford. Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 28th
of 12th month 1854.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting
are Rhoda T. Gifford and Sarah M. Howland for Long Plain Mary T. Bates
& Eliza C. Davis, who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that
they succeed.

The friends appointed to visit the family of George Francis
on account of the reception of their removal certificates report
that they have performed that service.

The Committee appointed to visit Louisa Howe (late
Russell) present the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

According to our appointment we have visited
Louisa Howe (late Russell) on account of her deviation in marriage.

She informs us that she thought it best for her to attend with her
husband meetings of another denomination and manifested no wish
to be retained a member of our Society. We are united in believing
that further labor will not be useful, and submit the case to the
Monthly Meeting.

Sarah M. Tallman

New Bedford 12th Mo. 27th 1854.

Sarah H. Anthony

The above report is united with the friends present
& she is accordingly disowned from membership, with out consent
Sarah H. is appointed to inform her thereof.

William H. Russell having requested a removal certificate
for himself & wife to New York Monthly Meeting. Lydia Morgan and
Sarah H. Anthony are appointed to write with a committee of the
Womens Meeting in preparing one on their behalf & present to a
future meeting.

The time having expired for which the overseers of this
meeting were appointed Lydia T. Howland, Phoebe Higginson, Hannah
H. Bates & Ruth T. Wood being proposed for New Bedford & Hannah T.
Tipp, John Bradford, Elizabeth G. Wilbur & Susan G. Thompson
for Long Plain it was united with & they are accordingly ap-
pointed to that service for the ensuing year or until another
appointment. The time having also expired for which

the overseers of the poor were appointed Sarah H. Anthony, to visit William, Phoebe T. Gifford,
Mary Ann Tison, Peter T. Bates & Abner Holmes are reapi-
pointed for the year ensuing.

12th Mo. 1854.

The committee under whose care the meetings in
Rochester have been held during the past year present
the following report viz

To The Monthly Meeting.

The committee having charge
of the meetings in Rochester report

That the meetings have
been kept up through the past year & that some of our
members have frequently attended them to a good degree
of satisfaction. We recommend that they be continued
as heretofore under the care of a committee

On behalf of the Committee Daniel Davis

New Bedford

12th Mo. 28th 1854.

Deborah Shearman

Hannah T. Taber

Which is accepted in concurrence with the
monthly meeting & the same committee reappointed
for the ensuing year.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk.

1st Mo. 1855.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 1st Month 25th 1855.

The representatives for New-
Bedford preparative meeting are Ruth S. Wood and
Sarah M. Howland for Long-plain Abby Holmes and
Betsy G. Wood - all present.

Deborah Taber reports that she has attended to
her appointment in the case of Louisa H. W.

We are informed through Long-plain prepara-
tive meeting that Mary T. Johnson (late Francis) has married
contrary to the order of our discipline with one of our
memberships with us, on which account we appoint
Susan S. Hempton & Phoebe L. Delano to visit her & report
the results thereof to a future meeting.

A memorial petition from Sandwich has been
received in which Susan S. Hempton wife of Andrew S. Hempton
has been accepted in concurrence with the monthly meeting
and Hannah Bradford is appointed to visit her on the
account.

Our friend Maria India Congdon informed
us that she felt a willingness to accompany our
friend Phoebe N. Gifford in attending to a meeting in Quaker

1st Mo. 1855. Meeting of Sandwich and a new of the meetings within its limits, which is fully united with the being an Elder in good stead with us. The clerks were directed to furnish her with a copy of his minutes.

The committee appointed to submit a removal certificate to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of William H. Hussey, his wife, Cornelia H. and their infant daughter Mary D. have accordingly presented one which is approved. The clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

A removal certificate on behalf of William A. Hussey addressed to New York Monthly Meeting has been approved in concurrence with the men's meeting. The clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this.

A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Tom M. Ellison his wife, Abby J. and their minor children viz. Asa J. and Edward H. Ellison has been accepted in concurrence with the men's meeting and Susan M. Howland & Rhoda J. Clifford are appointed to visit them on the account.

James M. Lipp & his wife Rhoda Ann having requested for themselves & their two minor children viz. Samuel & Charles M. Lipp, to be admitted into membership with us see above. Hannah Howland & Ruth S. Wood to unite with a committee of the men's meeting in visiting them on the account & report the result thereof to a future meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk.

1st month.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 2nd month 23rd 1855.

The representatives for New Bedford preparatory meetings are Abner Shearman & Sophia Rickelton for Fox Blaine & Elizabeth Swift & John Bradford for Sandwich.

The friends appointed to visit the family of William A. Ellison on account of their removal certificate having been received by this meeting report that they have performed their service.

We are informed that Hannah Bradford has performed a similar appointment in the case of Susan J. Lipp.

2nd Mo. 1855.

American Antislavery Review Philadelphia Monthly Meeting for the Western District on behalf of Judith H. wife of Edward Hussey has been accepted in concurrence with the said meeting. Phoebe Russell is appointed to visit her on the account.

The committee appointed to visit James M. Lipp & Rhoda Ann on account of their request for admission for themselves & children into membership with us presented the following report. Viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Agreeable to our appointment we have visited James M. Lipp and his wife Rhoda Ann on account of their request for themselves and their minor children, Harriet & Charles M. to be received into membership with us. Our interview with them was to a good degree of satisfaction, and we think it would be safe to grant their request. Which we submit to the Meeting.

On behalf of the committee.

Mary J. Howland.

New Bedford 2nd Mo. 22nd 1855

Rhoda Howland.

The above report is satisfactory to us, and we unite with the judgement of the men's meeting in receiving them as members of our religious society. and Phoebe Swift & Susan Howland are appointed to inform them thereof.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk.

3rd Month.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 22nd of 3rd Mo. 1855.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Lydia J. Howland & Anna B. Wood - for Longfellow Sylvia D. Twicks & Elizabeth Wood - all present.

The friends appointed to inform James M. Lipp & family of their being received into membership with us, report that they have attended thereto.

The committee appointed to visit Mary J. Johnson on account of her deviation in marriage presented the following report Viz -

Mo. 1855.

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To The Monthly Meeting.

We have visited Mary T. Johnson (late Frances) agreeable to appointment, she manifested a regard for the society of friends and expressed a desire to be retained a member, in which we believe her to be sincere.

Susan T. Rempton.

Phoebe T. Delano.

Fairhaven 3^d Mo. 20. 1855

The above report with the following acknowledgement is accepted by this meeting, and having the concurrence of men friends therein she is reinstated into membership with us, and Mary Gifford is appointed to inform her thereof.

To The Monthly Meeting.

Dear Friends,

I have married out of the good order of society with one not a member, and I desire that friends may forgive me and retain me under their notice and with the privilege of membership. Which I respectfully submit.

Fairhaven 3^d Mo. 20th 1855.

Mary T. Johnson.

Our esteemed friend Lydia Congdon returned the minute furnished her in 1st Mo. last accompanied by a minute from Springfield Quarterly Meeting expressive of her company having been acceptable to them.

A request from Phoebe Gifford to be admitted into membership with us having been presented to this meeting Lydia Congdon & Mary Gifford are appointed to visit her on the account and report to a future meeting.

The queries with answers from each of our preparative meetings have been read in this, and a summary compiled from the answers, which with an account to the Quarterly Meeting is to be forwarded thereto by our representatives, Grace Davis, Mary Gifford, Lydia T. Howland & Sylvia T. Howland.

George Rempton and Marianna M. Snow having informed this meeting of their intention of taking each other in marriage, we appoint Rhoda Howland and Deborah Taber to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Transcripts of Epistles from Baltimore & North Carolina Yearly Meetings of women friends have been acceptably read at this time.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk -

4th mo. 1855.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held

4th mo. 26th 1855.

The representatives for New Bedford are Elizabeth Bowman & Judith H. Hussey for Longplain Betsy G. Wood & Sarah D. Wing - present except ones.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeably to their appointment.

Mary Gifford informs that she had performed the service to which she was appointed respecting Mary T. Johnson.

Phoebe Russell also reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Judith H. Hussey.

The committee appointed to visit Phoebe Gifford on her request to be admitted into membership with us presented the following report.

To the Monthly Meeting.

We have visited Phoebe Gifford on account of her request to become a member of our religious society to good satisfaction, believing she has done it from a sense of duty, and are united in submitting the case to the Monthly Meeting.

Mary Gifford.

New Bedford 4th mo. 26th 1855.

Lydin Congdon.

The above report is accepted by this meeting and having the concurrence of most friends therein she is received into membership with us, and Betsy G. Wood is appointed to inform her thereof.

The friends appointed report that they find nothing to prevent Marianna M. Snow from proceeding in marriage with George Hampton and they having consent of Parents are left at liberty to solemnize their marriage according to the good order of our discipline and Rhoda T. Gifford & Dorcas H. Tucker are appointed to have the oversight of said marriage and report to our next monthly meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony (Clerk)

5th mo. 1855.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held
5th month, 24th 1855.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Ruth S. Torou & Hannah Anthony for Long Plain Sarah D. Wingarra. Eliza C. Davis. all present.

Betsy S. Wood reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Phoebe Gifford.

The friends appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of George Hampton & Marianna M. Snow report that it was conducted in an orderly manner.

A removal certificate from Eastmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Thomas Strong has been accepted in concurrence with the men's meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk

6th month.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held
6th mo. 28th 1855.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Phoebe Swift & Judith S. Hussey - for Long Plain Mary S. Taber & Hannah Bradford who are all present.

Our beloved friends Phoebe Bishop from Norwich Monthly Meeting & Pelham Quarterly Meeting (Canada West) and Isaac Jay from Mississinewa Monthly & Northern Quarterly Meeting (Indiana) attended this meeting with satisfactory testimonials from their respective meetings their company and religious services have been truly acceptable to us.

Our beloved friends William P. and Sarah S. Barker from Norwich Monthly Meeting (companions to Phoebe Bishop) and Luke Thomas from New Garden Monthly Meeting Indiana (companion to Isaac Jay) attended this meeting with minutes of unity from their respective meetings - their company and solid deportment has been satisfactory to us. The clerks are directed to furnish the above named friends with minutes conformable to those made on their behalf.

The queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 3rd. from each of our preparative meetings have been read in this and a summary compiled from the answers, which with an account is to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends Grace Davis, Betsy S. Wood, Phoebe S. Lilano, Rachel S. Howland & Lydia Congdon whom we appoint our representatives.

6th May 1855

Mary T. Johnson having removed within the limits of Dartmouth Monthly Meeting requests our certificate. Mary Gifford & Susan T. Hampton are appointed to prepare one on her behalf and present to a future meeting.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland in a weighty manner informed this meeting that she had for a considerable length of time apprehended it to be required of her to attend in Gospel love Ohio Yearly Meeting - also to visit some of the meetings & families of friends within its limits if way should open for it in the South. - After a time of solid consideration her concern was fully & feelingly united with, and she encouraged to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct being a minister in unity with us. The Clerks were directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

This meeting unites with the men's in disowning the right of membership of Daniel Thomson on account of his deviation in marriage.

Hannah Bradford & Elizabeth Wilber are appointed to unite with a committee of men friends in preparing a removal certificate for George W. Frances his wife & two minor children to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting.

A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Edw^d Litchingham his wife Nancy B. with their 5 minor children viz. Charles H., Mary G., Joseph, Betsey S. & Esther R. has been accepted in concurrence with the men's meeting and Betsey S. Wood and Susan T. Hampton are appointed to visit them on the account.

Sarah H. Anthony. Clerk.

7th Month.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held 26th of 7th Month 1855.

The representatives for New Bedford are Sarah Howland & Abbie Swift - for Long Plains Eliza C. Davis & Elizabeth Wood. Present except one who was prevented from attending by indisposition.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeably to their appointment.

7th Mo. 1855.

The friends appointed to prepare a removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of George & Frances his wife Mary Ann, and their two minor children viz Joseph Parker & Elizabeth Lustin have accordingly presented one which being approved by this & the men's meeting the Clerk is directed to sign it on our behalf.

The committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate on behalf of Mary J Johnson addressed to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting presented one which is approved & the Clerk directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

The annual report of the Boarding School committee, with the report of a committee appointed to take into consideration the propositions made by the School committee in their report. And the affairs of the Boarding School generally have been read in this meeting.

The friends appointed to visit the family of Edw^d D. Lillingham on account of the reception of their removal certificate report that they have performed the service.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting of Women friends have been acceptably read at this time. And Anna G. Wood, Phoebe H. Allen, Susan G. Kempton, Betsey G. Wood, Sarah M. Howland, Rhoda Howland & Eliza C. Davis are appointed to read them with some of the Epistles from other Yearly Meetings to such of our members as are unable to mingle with us in a meeting capacity.

This meeting unites with the judgement of the men's in disowning the right of membership of Charles De Wolf on account of his deviation in marriage.

Sarah H. Anthony, Clerk.

8th Mo. 1855.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 8th Mo. 23rd 1855.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Ann H. Dunbar & Deborah Taber for Long Plain Susan B. Kempton & Betsey G. Wood. All present.

The London General Epistle of last year containing excellent counsel & encouragement has been acceptably read at this time.

Sarah H. Anthony, Clerk.

7th Mo. 1856.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
9th Month 27th 1856.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Elizabeth Bowman & Phoebe Swift for Long's Plain Abby Holmes & Susan Lipp - who are present.

In the absence of the Clerk Dorcas F. Tucker is appointed Clerk for the day, and Anna G Wood assistant Clerk.

The queries with answers to the first, second & tenth from each of our preparative Meetings have been read in this, and a summary compiled from the answers, which with an account is to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends Hannah Leonard, Sylvia H. Sizer, Lydia Congdon, Phoebe Swift and Hannah Lipp - whom we appoint our representatives.

Our beloved friend Thomas Jones attended this meeting with a minute of unity from Durham Monthly Meeting. His company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Levi Meader attended this meeting as companion to Thomas Jones with a minute of concurrence from Durham Monthly Meeting. His company & solid deportment have been satisfactory to us. The Clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the men's meeting in signing endorsements on their minutes expressive of the sense of this meeting.

A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Joseph A. Lifford (a minor) has been read and accepted in concurrence with the men's meeting.

Transcript of an Epistle from Dublin Yearly Meeting of Women friends has been read and was acceptable to us.

Dorcas F. Tucker
Clerk for the day.

10th Mo. 1855.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
10th Month 25th 1855.

Representatives for New Bedford are
Hannah Boroman & Rhoda T. Gifford for Longplain Sarah
Howland & Mary D. Taber All present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report
that they attended except one who was prevented there-
from by indisposition.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned
the minute furnished her in 6th Mo. last, and informed
that she had been enabled to perform the service to which
she was then liberated by this Meeting to the peace and
satisfaction of her own mind. - We have also received
a minute from Ohio Yearly Meeting of Ministers and
Elders - and one from each of the Monthly Meetings
of New Garden & Salem, in Ohio expressive of her compa-
ny & religious services having been acceptable to
them, which is satisfactory to this Meeting.

We unite with the judgement of the Men's Meeting
in retaining John T. Lillingham a member of our religious
Society.

Transcript of an Epistle from New York Yearly
Meeting of Women Friends has been acceptably read at this time.

The time having expired for which the Sisters
of this Meeting were appointed Lydia Congdon, Ruth L.
Wood, Hannah T. Taber & Mary Gifford are appointed to
bring to our next Monthly Meeting the names of two
friends to serve in that capacity the ensuing year.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk

11th Mo. 1855.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 11th Month 22nd 1855.

The representatives for New Bedford are
Deborah Wing and Hesia Tobey - for Longplain Louisa Cowen
and Sylvia H. Nye. present except who was prevented
from attending by indisposition.

The committee appointed upon the subject of Clerks
report that they are united in proposing the reappointment
of Sarah H. Anthony & Dorcas H. Tucker for that service -
which being united with they are accordingly appointed to
for the ensuing year or untill another appointment.

11th Mo. 1855.

We are informed through the overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting that Mary^H Gardner has for some time neglected the attendance of our religious meetings, and united in membership with another denomination, on which account Deborah Tallman & Susan Howland are appointed to visit her and report to a future meeting.

The queries with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th from each of our preparative meetings have been read in this & a summary collected from the answers, and with an account is to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by Elizabeth Swift, Eliza C. Davis, Judith F. Houssey & Hannah Bradford who are appointed our representatives.

The committee under appointment upon the subject of Elders made the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The committee under appointment to consider of and propose the names of such friends as in their judgment were qualified to fill the Stations of Elders, have given attention to the subject, and have from time to time presented the names of Friends for that station, all of which have been approved by the Monthly Meeting.

Believing that further labor under this appointment is not at present required of them, the Committee are united in asking that they may be released from the services.

On behalf of the Committee Daniel Davis
Susan Howland

New Bedford 11th Mo. 16th 1855.

which is united with by this and the men's meeting & the committee is accordingly released therefrom.

Transcripts of an Epistle from Baltimore yearly Mtg of women friends has been acceptably read in this meeting.

James D. Hoxie having requested a removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting for himself & four minor children viz. Lydia G. Francis N. Mary J. & James D. Hoxie - Anna G. Woods, Rhoda Howland & Deborah Taber are appointed to unite with committee of the men's meeting in preparing one on their behalf & present to a future meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk

12th Mo. 1855.At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
12th month 27th 1855

Representatives for New Bedford preparative Meeting are Phoebe Russell & Deborah Taber for Long Plain Abbey Holmes & Elizabeth Wilber. Who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Our beloved friend David Dudley attended this Meeting & presented a minute from Litchfield Monthly Meeting State of Maine expressive of unity with him as a minister & his present religious engagement his company & Gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Joseph Taylor attended this Meeting as companion to David Dudley with a minute of unity from Sidney Monthly Meeting. His company has been acceptable to us & the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Men's Meeting in furnishing them with minutes conformable to the above.

The friends appointed to prepare a removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of James D. Hovick and family have accordingly presented one which is approved by this & the Men's Meeting & the Clerk is directed to sign it on our behalf.

The Committee having charge of the Meeting held in Rochester made the following Report.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings at Rochester Report that they have been attended occasionally by some of their number to a good degree of satisfaction and on conferring together the committee are united in proposing that they be continued as heretofore held under the care of a committee.

On behalf and by direction of the Committee

Wm C Taber

New Bedford 12th Mo. 26th 1855.

Rhoda Howland

This meeting accepts the above report in concurrence with the men's & reappoints the same committee to have the oversight of said meeting for the ensuing year.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk.

1st Mo. 1856.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 24th of 1st Month 1856.

Representatives from New Bedford
preparative Meeting are Hannah H. Howland and Rhoda
T. Gifford for Long plain Betsy P. Wood & Susan G. Hempton
who are all present.

Transcripts of Epistles from North Caro-
lina & Ohio Yearly Meetings of women friends have been
read & were acceptable to us.

This meeting unites with the
judgment of the men in restoring the right of mem-
bership to James A. Howland.

The time having expired
for which the overseers & overseers of the poor of this
meeting were appointed Mary Gifford, Eliza C. Davis,
Lydia Condon, Sarah H. Anthony & Betsy G. Wood are ap-
pointed to select such friends as they may think suitable
for those services and propose them to our next Monthly-
Meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony, Clerk.

2nd Mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 28th of 2nd Month 1856.

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative Meeting are Ann H. Dunbar & Ruth T. Wood for Long-
plain Phebe T. Delano & Nancy B. Dillingham all present.

The committee appointed to select such friends
as they might judge suitable to serve as overseers of this meet-
ing report that they are united in proposing Phebe Rus-
sell, Lydia T. Howland, Hannah T. Taber & Ruth T. Wood for New-
Bedford preparative Meeting - for Long plain Hannah Tripp,
Eliza C. Davis, Susan G. Hempton, Elizabeth Wilber, Dolly
Bradford & Lydia Dexter They also propose for overseers of the
poor Sarah Howland, Rhoda T. Gifford, Sophia Rickerson and
Ann H. Dunbar for New Bedford - and Mary Ann Wing, Sylvia H.
Nye, Phebe T. Delano & Abby Holmes for Long plain preparative Meeting
which propositions being united with they are accordingly
appointed to those services respectively for the ensuing
year or until another appointment.

2nd Mo. 1856

Rhoda Kelly having requested to become a member of our religious ~~pre~~
~~ing~~ society Hannah T. Faber & Thoma Howland are appointed to visit her on
the account and report to a future meeting.

A complaint from the overseers of New
Bedford preparative meeting against Loanna Notch for non attendance of our
religious meetings having been presented we appoint Rachel T. Howland
& Sarah H. Anthony to confer with her on the account and report the
result thereof to a future meeting.

The committee appointed in 11th month
last to visit Maryth Gardner made the following report. Viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

According to appointment we have visited
Mary H. Gardner - And altho' she manifested an attachment to
Unitas, was quite decided in the choice she had made in uniting
herself to another religious denomination. We submit the case to the
judgment of the Monthly Meeting.

Deborah Tallman

Susan Howland

New Bedford 2nd Mo. 28th 1856.

Which is accepted by this meeting & the conclusion thereof ^{is} to disown
her from membership with us, Men friends uniting therewith & Rhoda
& Dufford is appointed to give her the information.

A removal certificate
from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf Susan H. Dottridge has
been read & accepted in concurrence with the men's meeting and
Phebe Russell & Hannah T. Faber are appointed to visit her on the
account.

Manuscript of an Epistle from Indiana Yearly Meeting
of Women friends has been acceptably read at this time.

Sarah H. Anthony, Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
3rd Mo. 27th 1856.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative
meeting are Sarah H. Howland & Phebe Swift. for Long Plain
Mary T. Faber & Elizabeth H. Wood - All present.

The clerks of this meeting being absent.
Ruth T. Wood is appointed clerk and Mrs. H. Dunbar
assistant clerk for the day. XXXXXX

We are informed through New Bedford
preparative meeting that Susan B. Allen (late Gardner)
has married one not in membership with us.

3rd. Mo 1856. Lydia T. Howland & Lydia Congdon are appointed to visit her on the account and report at a future meeting.

Rhoda L. Gifford informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Mary Gardner.

The friends appointed to visit Susan H. Settridge on account of the reception of her removal certificate report that they have attended to their appointment.

The committee appointed to visit Rhoda Kelley on account of her request ~~presented~~ the following report viz.

Agreeably to appointment we have visited Rhoda Kelley on account of her request to be united in membership with our religious society, and are united in believing she is sincere in her request and disposed to conform to our Christian testimonies and that it will be safe to receive her as a member. — which we submit to the consideration of the Monthly Meeting.

Hannah T. Taber

Rhoda Howland

New Bedford 3rd Mo. 25th 1856.

The above report is fully united with and she is accordingly received into membership with us, having the concurrence of the Men's Meeting herein, and we appoint Anne G. Wood to inform her thereof.

The queries with answers from each of our preparative Meetings have been read in this and a summary compiled from the answers. which with our account to the Quarterly Meeting we forward by our representatives Mary Gifford, Phoebe Swift, Hannah Leonard, Susan B. Hempton & Rachel T. Howland.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland in a weighty manner spread before this meeting a prospect which had for a considerable ^{long} time rested with weight upon her spirit, of again paying a visit in Gospel love to friends of Great Britain & Ireland, and if way

should open for it in the truth. Some parts of the Continent of Europe, visiting meetings, families and individuals. After a time of solemn consideration much sympathy & unity was expressed with her in her religious engagement, and she set at liberty to pursue her prospect as best wisdom may direct.

3rd mo. 1856. She being a minister in unity & good esteem with us, Rachel L. Howland & Ann H. Durbin are appointed to assist the clerks in preparing a certificate on her behalf embracing the substance of this minute.

Arthur T. Wood - Clerk for the day.

4th month - At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held 4th month 24th 1856.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Phebe H. Allen & Hannah Leonard for Longplain Mary Swift & Abby Holmes - All present.

Anne T. Wood reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Rhoda Kelley.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended, except one who was prevented by indisposition.

We are informed through Longplain preparative meeting that Sylvia H. Know (late Howland) has married contrary to the order of our discipline with one not in membership with us on which account Rhoda Howland & Hannah T. Taber are appointed to visit her and report to a future meeting.

A removal certificate from New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mary H. Delano (wife of John A. Delano) and their adopted daughter Maria H. Delano has been accepted with the concurrence of the men's meeting. And Sarah H. Anthony & Hannah T. Taber are appointed to visit them on the account.

The Committee appointed to visit Susan B. Allen (late Gardner) on account of her deviation in marriage presented the following report viz.

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Susan B. Allen (late Gardner) on account of her marrying out of the order of our religious society. and she informed us that she did not expect to confine herself to the attendance of our meetings. And believe that further attention to the case by us is not required. And submit the case to the Monthly Meeting.

Lydia Congdon

Lydia T. Howland

New Bedford 4th mo. 23rd 1856.

The above report is united with & she is disowned from membership with us. Men friends concurring therewith - And Hannah

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4th Mo. 1856. Hannah H Howland is appointed to give her information.

Sarah H Anthony Clerk

5th Month.

A New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 5th Mo. 22nd 1856.

The representatives for New Bedford for a previous meeting are Susan H Dorrance & Hannah Bowman for Long Plain Elizabeth Swift & Coliza H Davis present except one who was prevented from attending by sickness in her family.

The committee appointed to visit Sylvia H Snow present and the following report viz.

Agreeably to appointment we have visited Sylvia H Snow (late Howland) on account of her deviation from ~~our~~ our discipline in marrying one not in membership with us to good satisfaction. She manifested a regard for Society & appeared sincerely desirous of being retained a member which we submit to the consideration of the Monthly Meeting.

Rhoda Howland

New Bedford 5th Mo. 21st 1856.

Hannah T Taber

The above report with the following acknowledgment is accepted by this meeting and it is the conclusion to retain her in membership with us, having the concurrence of the men's meeting therein. And Rhoda H Gifford is appointed to give her the information.

The friends appointed to visit Mary H Delano and her daughter Coliza H Delano on account of the reception of their removal certificates report that they have performed that service.

A removal certificate from Transport Monthly Meeting on behalf of Susan M. Seabury (wife of Humphrey Seabury) has been accepted & Rhoda Howland is appointed to visit her on the account.

Hannah H Howland reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Susan B Allen.

Sarah H Anthony Clerk

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting -

I am aware I have broken a rule ^{of discipline} - yet I
hope you will overlook it. For it is my sincere
wish to receive a member and retain me in the
if consistent with your views

Lydia W. Hunt

New Bedford Dec 21st 1856



6th Dec. 1856

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
6th Month 26th 1856.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative
meeting are Hannah Bowman & Lory Hampton for Long Plain.
Phoebe F. Deland & Nancy B. Dillingham - all present.

Rhoda Howland
reports that she has attended to her appointment respecting Susan
W. Seabury.

Rhoda T. Gifford informed that she had performed
her appointment in the case of Sylvia H. Snow.

The queries with
answers to the 1st. Dec. & 10th from each of our preparative
meetings have been read in this - and a summary compiled
from the answers which with an account to the Quarterly
Meeting is to be forwarded thereto by our friends Phoebe Swift,
Susan H. Sarridge, Deborah Taber & Dolly Bradford whom we
appoint our representatives.

Our beloved friends Ann Kenwor-
-thy & ~~A. A. A. A.~~ from White Water Monthly Meeting - Indiana, and
James Jones from China Monthly Meeting State of Maine attend-
-ed this meeting and presented satisfactory testimonials from
their respective meetings - their company & Gospel labors
have been truly acceptable to us.

Our beloved friends William
Kenworthy of White Water Monthly Meeting companion to his
wife Ann Kenworthy - and Joseph Taber from Unity Monthly
Meeting companion to James Jones attended this meeting with
minutes of unity from their respective meetings. Their com-
pany & solid deportment has been satisfactory to us. The Clerk is
directed to write with the Clerk of the mens Meeting in furnishing
the above named friends with minutes conformable to those made
on their behalf.

Our beloved friend Lydia Congdon informed this
meeting that she felt a willingness to resign herself to the service
of accompanying her sister Susan Howland in her proposed
religious visit to Great Britain, Ireland & if way should open for it
to some parts of the continent of Europe - After a time of solid considera-
-tion much unity & sympathy were expressed with her in her prospect
& she set at liberty to proceed therein - being an Elder in good esteem with
us. The Clerks were directed to furnish her with a certificate
embracing the substance of this minute.

Yarah H. Anthony Clerk

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7th Mo. 1856.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 7th Month 24th 1856.

The representatives for New Bedford par-
-parative Meeting are Deborah Taber & Anne G Wood - For Long-
-Plain Abbey Holmes & Mary Ann Eving. who are all present.

The representatives to the quarterly Meeting report that
they all attended.

We have received and read at this time Extract
from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting embracing the report
of the Boarding School Committee - A recommendation that
greater care be taken in answering the queries - A request that
Quarterly Meetings annually communicate to the Yearly Meeting
the names of all ministers & Elders who have deceased during the
past year with the time of their decease & ages as far as practi-
-cable - And an alteration of discipline in regard to making
admissions to our meetings of Ministers & Elders as accepted by
that meeting - Which is all satisfactory to this meeting.

Betsy P Wood, Sylvia S Howland, Eliza C Davis, Abbey Holmes,
Betsy G Wood, Sylvia S Howland & Sarah H Anthony are appoint-
-ed a committee to make enquiries respecting scholars pro-
-posing to enter our Yearly Meeting Boarding School - And
such as they may think suitable to furnish with cer-
-tificates for that purpose.

Our esteemed friend Taber Wood
informed this meeting that he felt a willingness to
accompany our friend Lemuel Gifford in a relig-
-gious visit to the Quarterly Meetings of Smithfield,
Salem & Rhode Island - which is united with he
being a member in good steam with us The Clerks
are directed to furnish him with a minute conform-
-able to the above.

Sarah H Anthony - Ak-

8th mo. 1856.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
8th month 28th 1856.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative
Meeting are Rhoda L. Gifford & Phoebe H. Allen - for Long Plain
Lydia Kicketson & Nancy B. Dillingham - All present.

The General Epistle from London Yearly Meeting, and
Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting of Women
friends have been read at this time their instructive and
encouraging contents have been truly acceptable to us.

This meeting unites with the judgement of the men's
in disowning the right of membership of George Hussy.
Sarah H. Anthony (Clerk)

9th month

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 9th month 25th 1856.

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative Meeting are Lydia T. Howland & Sylvia
T. Howland - for Long Plain - Sylvia H. Nye & Louisa
B. Keown, who are all present.

The queries with answers to
the first, second & tenth from each of our preparative
meetings have been read & a summary collected from the
answers - which with an account is to be forwarded to the
Quarterly Meeting by our representatives Rhoda Howland,
Phoebe Russell, Betsey T. Wood & Ruth Davis.

Transcripts of Epistles
from London & Dublin Yearly Meetings of Women friends have
been read & were acceptable to us.

Our esteemed friend Tabern
Wood returned the minute furnished him in 7th month last
with copies of minutes from Salem Quarterly & Seabrook & Ware
Monthly Meetings expressive of his company having been satis-
-factory to them.

Our esteemed friend Henry T. Wood informed
this meeting that he had a prospect of accompanying our friend
Samuel Gifford in a religious visit to some of the meetings in the
Southern part of New York Yearly Meeting - which is fully noticed
with & he is at liberty to proceed therein being a member in
good esteem with us. The Clerk is directed to write with the
Clerk of the men's Meeting in furnishing him with a minute
embracing the substance of this. Sarah H. Anthony Clerk

10th Mo. 1856.At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 10th Month 23rd 1856.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative Meeting are Rebecca Thornton & Deborah Taber
for Long-plain Hannah Bradford & Sarah D Tving - Present
except one.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report
that they all attended.

Our beloved friend Lybil Jones attended
this meeting & presented a minute of unity from Abiscia
Monthly Meeting. Her company and gospel labors have been
truly acceptable to us - The clerks are directed to furnish her with
a copy of this minutes.

Transcript of an Epistle from Baltimore
Yearly Meeting of Women friends has been acceptably read
Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk.

11th Month.At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 11th 27th 1856

The representatives for New Bedford preparative
Meeting are Rhoda Kelley & Sarah M Howland for Long plain.
Susan G Hempton & Eliza de Davis - All present.

In the absence of the clerks Dorcas F Tucker is
appointed Clerk & Ruth S Wood assistant clerk for
the day.

The queries with answers to the first, second &
tenth from each of our preparative Meetings have been
read in this and a summary compiled from the
answers which with an account is to be forwarded
to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives Elizabeth
Swift, Dolly Bradford, Sarah Howland, Rhoda T. Gifford
& Dorcas F Tucker.

A request from Anne D Taber to be admitted
into membership with our religious society having been received
through New Bedford preparative Meeting - Rachel S Howland
and Hannah S Taber are appointed to visit her on the
account and report to a future meeting.

This meeting concurs with the judgement of the men in
disowning George Hussey junr - his right of Membership
with us.

Dorcas F Tucker

Clerk for the day

12th Mo. 1856.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
12th Month 25th 1856.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting
are Maria Tobey & Rhoda Kelley - for Long Plain Betsey Wood and
Sarah H. Howe. present except one for whose absence a satisfactory
reason was given.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report
that they attended agreeably to their appointment.

The Committee
appointed to visit Anne R. Taber presented the following Report.

Agreeably to our appointment we have visited Anne R.
Taber on account of her application to be received into member-
ship with our religious society, and are united in believing
that her request proceeds from a true conviction of our
principles and that she is desirous to conform to our discipline
which we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

12th Mo. 25th 1856.

Hannah T. Taber
Rachel T. Howland

The above report is united with by this meeting and having
the concurrence of the men's she is received into membership
with us and Sarah H. Anthony is appointed to inform her
thereof.

The Committee having charge of the Meeting held in
Rochester presented the following Report (viz).

The Committee appointed to visit the Meeting at
Rochester report that the meetings have been attended by mem-
bers of the Committee from time to time as way has opened for
it to a good degree of satisfaction - Altho' occasionally they
have found them but small. Upon conferring together
they were united in the view that the time had come
when the services of the Committee might be dispensed
with - and they would therefore propose to the Monthly
Meeting that the appointment be discontinued.

On behalf of the Committee

Wm. R. Taber
Rhoda Howland

Which being considered is united with and in concu-
rence with the men's Meeting the appointment of a
committee is for the present dispensed with

13 Mo. 1856.

We unite with the judgment of The Men's Meeting in retaining Joseph Tillinghast in Membership with our religious Society.

The time having expired for which the Clerks of this meeting were appointed Rachel I. Howland, Hannah T. Taber and Deborah Taber are appointed to propose to our next Monthly Meeting the names of two friends for that service.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk.

1st Mo. 1857.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 1st. Month 22nd 1857.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Deborah Shearman and Deborah Taber. ~~for Long plain~~ who are present - Owing to the impassable state of the roads we have received no account from Long plain preparative meeting.

The committee appointed upon the subject of Clerks report that they are united in proposing the re-appointment of Sarah H. Anthony & Dorcas T. Tucker for that service. which being united with they are accordingly appointed for the ensuing year or untill another appointment.

Sarah H. Anthony reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Anna H. Taber.

Transcript of an acceptable Epistle from North Carolina Yearly Meeting of Women friends has been read at this time.

We are informed that the Committee having charge of the Charitable fund have attended to their trust and have assisted during the past year twenty different persons to the amount of one hundred & forty dollars, and have a balance in their hands of thirty dollars which information is satisfactory to the Meeting - and we appoint Hannah T. Taber, Rhoda Howland, Rachel I. Howland, Ann H. Dunbar and Lydia I. Howland to co-operate with a committee of the Men's Meeting in the care thereof for the ensuing year.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk.

2nd Mo. 1857

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
2nd Month 25th 1857.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative
Meeting are Sylvia H. Hyde & Mary Ann Wing, president & secretary for
whose absence a sufficient reason has been given.
The committee have been informed that for some time
past, the attendance of our meetings and the
increase in membership with another religious denom-
ination is a subject of great interest. The friends
of our meeting are pointed to visit them and report to an
early meeting.

The committee have also been informed that
the friends of our meeting are much interested in the
work of the other religious societies. It is the
policy of our meeting to appoint a committee
to visit the friends of the other societies and
report to our next Monthly Meeting. The committee
are directed for which the overseers of the poor were
appointed the selection of friends for that service is
left to the dance committee.

Done at New Bedford 25th 2nd Mo. 1857.

3rd Mo. 1857

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
3rd Month 26th 1857.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative
Meeting are Sylvia H. Hyde & Sarah M. Howland
for whose absence a sufficient reason has been given.

The committee appointed upon the subject of over-
seers report that they have been engaged in the
service. Phoebe Russell, Hannah T. Taber, Ruth
and others. I have been appointed to report to the
meeting. The committee have been informed that
the friends of our meeting are much interested in the
work of the other societies. It is the policy of our
meeting to appoint a committee to visit the friends of
the other societies and report to our next Monthly
Meeting. The committee are directed for which the
overseers of the poor were appointed the selection of
friends for that service is left to the dance committee.

Adman presented the following report &c.

Trusting to our appointment we have visited Susan & William Redman on account of their nonattendance of our religious meetings & visiting themselves in membership with another religious denomination. They expressed a regard for friends but appeared to be decided in their opinion as to the subject and their intention to remain in membership with the same. We have therefore decided to leave them to their choice. The meeting was held at the residence of Susan Redman.

Andresford 30th Dec 25th 1837.

Harriet L. Taber.

The above report is written with and they are accordingly removed from membership with the same. The same report was also presented to the annual meeting of the church and was approved. The same was also presented to the quarterly meeting of the church and was approved.

Preparation of the report has been made in that summary compiled from the answers which with an account is to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends Sylvia S. Howland, Phoebe Swift, Elizabeth G. Wither & Phoebe L. Salano whom we appoint our representatives.

The report of the previous meeting has been read and was acceptable to us.

We write with the judgement of the present meeting in disowning the right of membership of Robert H. Taber.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Respectfully submitted,
Harriet L. Taber.

1st Mo. 1857

St. Andrew's Monthly Meeting of
held 5th Month 28th 1857.

The representatives for
our monthly meeting are Sarah H. Anthony & Lydia
Longplain Lydia Rickerson & Abby L. Howland
being called were all present.

Transcript of an acceptable
letter from New York Yearly Meeting of Women Friends
has been read at this time.

We unite with the members
of the men's meeting in receiving William Lloyd
as a member with us.

A removal certificate from Swan-
sey Monthly Meeting on behalf of John Russell has
been read and accepted in concurrence with the
men's meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished
we conclude.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk

6th Month

The representatives of St. Andrew's Monthly
Meeting of Women Friends held 6th Month 28th 1857.

The representatives for New Bedford Sabbath-
day Meeting are Lydia L. Howland & Anna B. Howland for Long-
plain Abby Holmes & Hannah Bradford all present.

Our beloved friend Miss Smith, who accompanied
the meeting, producing a certificate of unity from
St. Andrew's Monthly Meeting endorsed by Essex Dis-
trict Meeting, and one from the Yearly Meeting of
Ministers & Elders held in London on the 19th
20th and 31st of 5th Mo. 1856. Our beloved friend
Mary Nicholson accompanying our friend Miss Smith
as fellow laborer in her mission of love
in this land, has also been with us at this time
with a satisfactory certificate from Providence
Monthly Meeting endorsed by the District Meeting
of Cumberland & Northumberland, and one from
the Morning Meeting of Ministers & Elders held in
London the 11th of 8th Month 1856. Their company
and Gospel labors have been truly acceptable and
edifying to us.

Concord 1857

The queries with answers to the 1st, 2nd. & 10th from each of our preparative Meetings have been read in this annual summary compiled from the answers which with an account is to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives Betsey Wood, Abner Howland, Hannah Bradford and Thomas F. Tucker.

This meeting unites with the Select preparative Meeting in acknowledging the gift and approving the public appearances in the Ministry of Samuel H. Baker.

A removal certificate from Faneuil Mass. this Meeting on behalf of David Thove and his wife Mary Thove has been accepted in concurrence with the Men's Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Sarah H. Anthony. Clerk.

11th. Month

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 7th. Month 23rd 1857.

The representatives from New Bedford preparative Meeting are Hester Mearns & Susan H. Loring. For Long plain Eliza C. Davis. Nancy B. Dillingham - all present.

In the absence of the Clerk Thomas F. Tucker is appointed Clerk and Abby Holmes assistant Clerk for the day.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeably to appointment.

The annual report of the Boarding School committee and transcript of an Epistle from London Yearly Meeting of Women friends have been read and were acceptable to us. We appoint Rachel S. Howland, Sophie Dickerson, Sylvia G. Howland, Betsey Wood, Eliza C. Davis and Abby Holmes to read the extracts from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and transcripts of Epistles from other Yearly Meetings to such of our members as may be prevented by age or indisposition from mingling with us in a meeting capacity.

This meeting unites with the friends remain-
ing James Keen Strong in membership with us. he
having married out of the order of our Society.

Hannah T. Taber & Rhoda Howland are
appointed to unite with a committee of men friends
in preparing a removal certificate for Francis
Howman his wife & two minor children to
the 1st Monthly Meeting.

The business of the meeting
being accomplished we conclude.

Sorcas F. Tucker Clerk for the day.

8th Month

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
Friends held 27th of 8th Month 1857.

The representatives
for New Bedford preparative Meeting are Deborah
Taber & Phoebe Swift for Long Plain Mary Ann
Wing & Betsy Hatten both are all present.

Extracts from the Minutes of our last Yearly
Meeting of Women Friends have been read and
were acceptable to us.

The business of the meeting
being finished we conclude.

Deborah T. Taber, Clerk.

9th Month

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
Friends held 9th Month 24th 1857.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative
Meeting are Susan H. Torridge and Phoebe
H. Allen for Long Plain Nancy B. Lillingham and
Phoebe Howland all present.

The queries with answers
to the first, second and tenth year each of our preparative
meetings have been read and a summary
collected therefrom which with an account is
to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our
friends Ellen C. Davis, Sylvia H. Rye, Mary Howe
and Sorcas F. Tucker whom we appoint our
representatives.

Nov 1857

The Committee appointed to prepare a memorial certificate to the next monthly meeting on behalf of Sumner Brownson his wife Elizabeth and their two minor children viz. Daniel & Anne Sarah Anne have accordingly presented one which being approved the Clerk is directed to sign it in behalf of the meeting.

Transcripts of Epistles from Dublin and New York yearly meetings of women friends have been read and were acceptable to us.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk.

11th month.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
on 11th month 29th Dec. 1857.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative Meeting are Deborah Taber and Rhonda Kelly for Long Plain Betsey Gilwood & Sarah B. Trade. Absent except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was given.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeably to appointment.

The London General Epistle of last year has been read in this house.

Our beloved friend Sarah J. Howland a Minister in union with us, informed this meeting that she believed it would be right for her to visit the Normal and some of the public schools; also the Reform and Industrial Schools, and one or more of the Prisons in this State. Which being considered was fully agreed with and she was directed and encouraged to succeed in her mission. and the meeting were directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we now conclude.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk.

11th Feb 1872

At a meeting of the Monthly Meeting of Friends
held on 11th Feb 1872

The representatives for the preparative meetings are Ann H. Dunbar & Maria Selby for Longplain Betsy Swift and Eliza Hillar all present.

The queries with answers to the three usual considerations from each of our preparative meetings have been read in this and a summary compiled therefrom, which with an account to the Quarters Meeting we forward by our representatives Susan G. Hempton, Phoebe Swift, Thelma Jones and Rhoda Howland.

James Almy having requested a removal certificate for himself & family to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting Deborah Tallman & Susan H. Anthony are appointed to write with a committee of the mens meeting in preparing one on their behalf and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

Our beloved friend Joseph H. Pratt attended this meeting with a minute from Unity Meeting being expressive of unity with him in his business affairs & as more his company and good labors have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Martha C. Pratt accompanying her husband Joseph H. Pratt has also been with us at this time & presented a minute of Unity from the same meeting her company & solid deportment has been satisfactory to us. The Clerk is directed to sign & endorse minutes on their Minutes conformable to the above.

Our beloved friend Rachel I. Howland a minister in unity with us informed this meeting that she had for several years believed it to be required of her to attend one, two or more public meetings to be held in Friends Meeting house in Boston on first days, and if they should open for it to hold one or more meeting at some other place in that City. Which concern claiming our sister's consideration was fully united with and she was encouraged to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct and the Records were directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

James H. Anthony, Clerk

12th Mo 1857.At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 1st Month 29th 1857.

The representatives for New Bedford
representing Meeting are White H. Allen & Lucy Thompson
for Long Plain Mary L. Taber & Hannah Bradford
who are all present.

The representatives in the Quarterly
Meeting report that they attended.

Transcript of an Epistle
from Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Women Friends has been
acceptably read at this time.

A removal certificate from Sand-
wich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Abigail Wing has been
read and accepted.

The Committee appointed to secure a
removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf
of James Hmy his wife Ruth and their two minor chil-
dren viz. Lach & Emma have accordingly secured one
which is approved and the Clerk is directed to sign it on
behalf of the Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being accom-
plished we now conclude.

Sarah H. Anthony - Clerk.

13th Mo 1858.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 1st Month 28th 1858.

The representatives for New Bedford
representing Meeting are Sarah H. Anthony & Leonard
for Long Plain Sarah D. Wing & Susan B. Hempton
present except one.

Transcripts of acceptable Epistles from North
Carolina & Ohio Yearly Meeting of Women Friends have
been read in this Meeting.

We are informed that the Commit-
tee having charge of the Charitable fund left by our friend
Abraham Shawman Jun^r have attended to their trust and
have assisted during the past year eighteen individuals
to the amount of 101 dollars and that there remains in
the treasury 38 dollars and the committee now under ap-
pointment viz. Hannah Taber, Maria H. Taber, &
Isabel H. Taber, Ann H. Taber and the com-

1st Mo. 1858. At New Bedford are reappointed for the ensuing year.
The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.
Sarah H. Anthony Clerk.

2nd Month. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women Friends
held 3rd Month 25th 1858.

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative Meeting are Sarah H. Anthony, John H.
Howland for Long Plains, Betsey G. Wood & Phoebe T. Cl-
and who are present.

The time having expired for which
the friends of this meeting were appointed Betsey
G. Wood, Ann H. Durbin & Lydia T. Howland are
appointed to propose to our next Monthly Meeting
the names of two friends to serve in that capacity
the ensuing year.

A removal certificate from Sana-
wich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Joseph Swift and
his wife Eliza Swift has been read & accepted in
consequence where the men's Meeting and Mary Thore
& Susan B. Kimpton are appointed to visit the latter
on the account.

The business of the Meeting being finished
we conclude.

Sarah H. Anthony Clerk.

3rd Month. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women
friends held 3rd Month 25th 1858.

The representatives for
New Bedford preparative Meeting are Isaac
Russell and Anna Davis, for Long Plains
D. Cowen and Ann H. Macomber who are present.

The committee appointed upon the
subject of Clerks report that they are united
in proposing Dea. Yuckie for Clerk and
John T. Ward for assistant Clerk. The prop-
osition being united with they are accordingly
appointed to that service for the ensuing year
or until another appointment.
Sarah H. Anthony the former Clerk having

been released at her own request - leaving the
 Machine very uncertain for many years.

The Duclies with answers from each of our
 preparative Meetings have been read in this and
 a Summary compiled therefrom which with an ac-
 count to the Quarterly Meeting is to be forwarded
 by our representatives Elizabeth Swift, Susan
 Howland, Odley Bradford and Ann H. Carter

The friends appointed to visit Eliza Swift
 on account of the reception of her removal cer-
 tificate to this Meeting report they have attended
 thereto.

The time having expired for which
 the officers of this Meeting were chosen Patsy
 Wood Hannah & Libby Rebecca Thorpe for Sarah
 & Anthony and Elizabeth arising appointed to
 select such friends as may appear suitable
 for that service and report them at our next
 monthly Meeting. The time having also
 expired for which the officers of the year
 were appointed The subject is referred to the
 same Committee.

The business of the Meeting being finished
 we conclude.

Leucas W. Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of
 women friends held 4th Month 22nd 1855

The representatives for New Bed-
 ford preparative meeting are Rebecca Thorpe
 and Rhoda Kelly for Long Plain Eliza
 C. Davis and Patsy G. Wood who are present.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject
 of selecting some friends to serve this Meeting
 as officers having conferred together were
 united in proposing Phoebe Russell, Ann F. Munroe
 Ruth Wood and Anna G. Wood for New
 Bedford, and Eliza C. Davis, Susan G. Hempton

Of record of the same

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Benjamin Anthony and his wife Julia Ann Anthony, having requested to be admitted into membership with us we approved Sarah H. Brigham and Hannah Luther to unite with a committee of men friends to visit them on the subject and report at a future meeting.

5th 1855

A removal Certificate of behalf of Brook Henry
Wells addressed to Bloomington Monthly Meeting
has been approved in concurrence with the main
meeting and the Clerk is directed to sign in
behalf of this.

The business of this meeting
being accomplished we now conclude.

Dorcas T. Tucker Clerk.

6th 1855

The Sen Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
Friends held 6th Mo. 24th 1855.

The representatives
for Sen Bedford preparative meeting are Deborah
Tabor and Lydia T. Howland, for Long Plain
Mary Ann King and Hannah Bradford, who
are present.

The Queries with answers from
the 1st 2nd and 10th preparative meetings have been read in
this a summary collected from the answers which
with an account to the Quarterly Meeting is to
be forwarded thereto by our our friends
Susan L. Bridge, Hannah Shippe, Lydia T.
Howland and Hepsa Shearnan whom
we appoint our representatives

Our beloved friends James Jordan from
Winnetka Monthly Meeting here at York town
of New York and Olney Thompson from Bloom
ington Monthly Meeting and Ned Luder from monthly
Meeting of friends at Flat of sea station at this
Meeting presenting satisfactory testimonials from
their respective Meetings. Their company
and religious services have been acceptable
to friends.

Our beloved friend Lydia Thompson
accompanying her husband Olney Thompson
attended this meeting with a satisfactory minute
from the same Monthly Meeting expressing unity
with her as an Elder and with her present engage

ment her company and solid department has been accep
table to us and the Clerk is directed to sign in

6th Nov. The Clerk of the mens meeting in furnishing the above named friends with minutes conformable to those made on their behalf. The business of the meeting being accomplished we concluded.

Doctas H Tucker Clerk

7th Nov 1858

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held, 7th Nov. 22. 1858

The representatives from Bedford preparative Meeting are Rhoda T Gifford and Hannah Leonard for Long Point Abbey Holmes and Lydia Ricketson who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeably to appointment.

We are informed through Long Point preparative Meeting that Betty B Linn late Hitter has united herself in marriage with one not in membership with us, on which account we appoint Susan G Kempton and Mary Gifford to visit her and report at a future Meeting.

The annual report of the Boarding School Committee has been read and is satisfactory to the Meeting.

The London General Epistle of last year containing much excellent counsel has been acceptably read at this time.

This Meeting unites with the judgment of the mens in retaining Edward T Talcott as member of our religious Society.

We also concur with men friends in disowning Daniel Knowles from membership with us.

A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Lydia Crocker and her minor daughter Sylvia B Crocker has been read and accepted by this Meeting men friends concurring therein. Rhoda T Gifford and Deborah Talcott are appointed to visit them on account thereof.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we
conclude,
Charles F. Tucker Clerk

8th M 1858 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
friends held, 8th M 26. 1858.

The representatives
for New Bedford Syncretistic Meeting are,
Phoebe W. Allen and Keziah Tobey. for Long Island
Susan G. Kingston and Sarah King all present
Our beloved friend Deborah C. Hinsdale
attended this Meeting producing a minute of
unity from New York Monthly Meeting entered
by Westbury Quarterly Meeting her company and
Gospel labors have been truly acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Maria Willits attended
this Meeting as companion to our friend
Deborah C. Hinsdale with a minute of unity
from New York Monthly Meeting her company
and solid deportment has also been
acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed
to unite with the clerk of the mens Meeting
in furnishing them with minutes conformable
to the above.

The friends appointed to visit
Lydia B Crocker on account of the reception
of her certificate report that they have
attended thereto.

The committee appointed to
visit Benjamin Anthony and his wife
Julia Ann Anthony on account of their
request to be admitted into membership
with us presented the following report
~~the~~

To the Monthly Meeting.
Agreeable to appointment we have visited
Benjamin Anthony and his wife Julia
Ann Anthony to a good degree of

8th 1858 Satisfaction and we are united in believing that they are convinced of our religious principles and that they are suitable to be received into membership.

As Benjamin Anthony was formerly a member of and was disowned by January Monthly Meeting the rules of our discipline require that the consent of that Meeting should be first obtained before he can be received by us.

Wm Bedford

6th Mo 1858

William C. Taber

Nathan Bowman

Sarah H. Anthony

Hannah J. Taber

The above report is satisfactory to us and we unite with the judgment of men present in receiving them members of our religious Society and Deborah Shearman and Thelma Swift are appointed to give them the information.

This Meeting unites with the judgment of the mens Meeting in receiving William W. Gifford and Joshua B. Bowman in membership with us.

Our beloved friend Rachel J. Howland returned to this Meeting certificates granted her in 10th and 11th Moth last for religious service as expressed therein, and informed friends that she had been able to perform the service for which she had been liberated to the peace and relief of her own mind. The account given by her was truly interesting and to many we trust will prove as broad cast upon the waters that will be found after many days.

Our beloved friend William R. Taber in a mighty manner informed this Meeting that he had a prospect of attending Indiana yearly

8th Mo 1858 Meeting, which after a season of solicitation was
fully united with and he left at liberty to pursue
them being a minister in unity with us.

Our esteemed friend William C. Sabbe
informed this Meeting that he felt willing to accompany
our friend William R. Sabbe in his proposed
visit to Indiana Yearly Meeting which being
considered was feelingly united with and he
was encouraged to proceed therein being an
Elder in unity with us. The Clerks were
directed to furnish them with certificates embear-
ing the substance of this minute.

The business of the Meeting being finished
we conclude.

Deo et T. Tucker Clerk

1st Mo 1858 New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held, 9th Mo, 23rd 1858.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative
Meeting are Phebe Swift and Lydia B Crocker.
For Long Plain Dolly Bradford and Betsy
Hiller, who were present.

The Minutes with
answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th from each of
our preparative Meetings have been read in
this and a summary compiled therefrom
which with an account to the Yearly
Meeting is to be forwarded by our friends
Rhoda Kelly, Rachel S Howland, Eliza C
Davis and Susan B Kempton whom we
appoint our representatives.

The friends appointed to inform Julia
Ann Anthony of her being received into
membership with us report that they have
attended thereto.

We have again grate-
fully to acknowledge the acceptable company
of our beloved friends Missella Green and
Mary Nicholson from Great Britain.

9th Mo 1855 their certificates which were read in 6th Mo 1857. have again been read at this time the Gospel labors of these dear friends for several weeks past in attending meetings and visiting families within our limits have been truly acceptable and edifying to us, we desire that the efforts thereof may rest abidingly with us.

Our beloved friend Joseph Davis in a mighty manner informed this Meeting that he ~~believed it would~~ be right for him in Gospel love to attend the ensuing yearly Meeting of Baltimore and if may should open for it attend some Meetings going and returning. which after a season of deliberation was fully united with and he left at liberty to proceed therein being a minister in unity with us

Our esteemed friend William P Howland informed this Meeting that he felt willing to accompany our friend Joseph Davis in his proposed religious visit to Baltimore yearly Meeting which was united with and he left at liberty to attend thereto being an Elder in unity with us

The Clerks were directed to furnish the above named friends with minutes conformable to those made on their behalf.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Darius H Tucker Clerk

10th Mo 1855 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held, 10th Mo 8th 1855.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative Meeting are Hannah Leonard and Anna Davis for Long plain Elizabeth H. Wood and Eliza C. Davis present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was given.

10th Mo 1854. The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting inform that they attended agreeably to appointment.

James Van
Blair
minutes

Our beloved friend James Van Blair attended this Meeting producing satisfactory testimonials from China Monthly Meeting endorsed by Passatborough Yearly Meeting State of Maine, his company and gospel labors have been truly acceptable to us. The Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Towns Meeting in furnishing him with a minute embracing the substance of this,

William J Wood and Eliza H Wilano, having informed this Meeting of their intentions of marriage with each other Rhoda T Gifford is appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report at our next Monthly Meeting.

Our beloved friend Joseph Davis returned the minute granted him last month with a satisfactory account of the accomplishment of the service where he was situated, accompanied with a minute from Baltimore Yearly Meeting expressing of his company and religious services being acceptable to friends.

Our esteemed friend William J Howland returned the minute furnished him by this Meeting to accompany our friend Joseph Davis in his late religious visit to Baltimore Yearly Meeting, he also presented a minute from that Meeting expressing of his company having been acceptable to them, all of which is satisfactory to this Meeting.

Manuscripts of Epistles from London and Dublin Yearly Meetings of former friends have been read and were acceptable to us.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Dorcas Wicker Clerk

11th Mo 1858 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held, 11th Mo. 28th 1858,

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Hosiak Tobey and Mary Ann Howland. for Long plain Phoebe Delano and Ann B Macomber all present.

Our beloved friend Thomas Grove attended this meeting producing a minute of unity from Smithfield Monthly Meeting his company and Gospel labors have been truly acceptable to us.

The clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the mens meeting in presenting him with a minute expressing of the sense of this meeting.

The queries with answers to the 1st 2nd and 14th from each of our preparative meetings have been read in this and a summary collected therefrom which with an account are to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our representatives Mary Howe, Betsy P Wood, Ann B Macomber, and Anna Davis whom we appoint to that service.

The friend appointed reports that she finds nothing to prevent Eliza Delano, from proceeding in marriage with William G Thach.

And they having consent of parents are left at liberty to solemnize their marriages according to the good order of our discipline, and Lydia Congdon and Sarah Howland are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report to our next monthly meeting.

This meeting unites with men friends in the request from Long plain preparative meeting to discontinue the week-day meeting at Long plain on the days in which the Quarterly meeting is held in 7th and 10th month.

Our beloved friend William B. Taber returned at this time the minute granted him in 5th month last and informed that he had performed the service for which he was then

11th 1848 liberated to the peace and relief of his mind,
 He also presented a satisfactory minute from
 Indiana's yearly meeting expressing of his company
 and religious service being acceptable to friends
 of that meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished
 we conclude.

Dorcas S. Tucker, Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends
 held, 12th Mo. 23rd 1848;

The representatives for New Bedford
 Monthly Meeting are Phoebe Russell and Ann W. Luntan
 of Long Plain Nancy B. Dillingham andetsy G
 Wood, all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting
 inform that they attended.

Our beloved friend Rachel S. Howland a
 minister in unity with us, appeared before
 this meeting a prospect which had for some
 time rested with due to visit in Gospel land
 the Yearly Meeting Boarding School in South
 Carolina and attend a few meetings within
 the limits of that Yearly Meeting. which
 after a season of deliberation was fully united
 with and she left at liberty to attend there to
 when may open for it in the truth.

The Clerks were directed to furnish her with
 a minute embracing the substance of this.

This meeting united with the judgment
 of our friends in retaining Charles H.
 as a member of our religious Society.

Our esteemed friends William C. Sater
 returned at this time. He was
 sent by this Meeting to accompany our friend
 William H. Sater in his proposed religious
 visit to the Eastern yearly meeting. he also
 presented a minute from that Meeting
 expressing the love and sympathy with

them, which is satisfactory to this meeting.

The friends appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of William G Wood and Eliza H. Delano inform that the marriage had been deferred on account of the absence of one of the parents. The same friends are continued a committee to have the oversight thereof and report to our next monthly meeting.

Transcripts of acceptable Epistles from New York and Baltimore yearly meetings to women friends have been read at this time.

The business of the meeting being finished we concluded.

Deo et Patri Amen. C. H. C.

1st Moth 1859 At a 1st Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends, held, 1st Moth 21st 1859.

The representatives for Bedford are Lydia Russel and Susan Knowles for Longplain Sarah E. King and Eliza E. Davis who are present.

The friends appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of William G Wood and Eliza H. Delano report that it was orderly conducted, which is satisfactory to the meeting.

A revisional certificate from last month's monthly meeting on behalf of William F. Lawrence has been read and accepted in this meeting in concurrence with the friends.

This meeting unites with the judgment of the men in retaining Charles H. Howland in membership, with us.

Transcript of an acceptable Epistle from South Carolina yearly meeting of women friends has been read at this time.

of the charitable fund left by our friend Thos. have attended to their trust, and have assisted in the purchase of 16 of whom have received \$5 dollars each and one \$12 making a total of \$92 leaving a balance in their hands of \$41. The committee now under appointment viz Rhoda Howland, Rachel S. Howland, Ann H. Barber, and Lydia S. Howland are appointed for the ensuing year with the addition of Sarah H. Anthony whom we appoint to fill the vacant position. The death of our dear friend Hannah T. Laker, which is satisfactory to all the friends.

The business of the meeting being completed the meeting closed.

Abigail W. Tucker Clerk

Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
held Feb. 24th 1849

The meeting was opened by prayer, after which Sarah Taker and Sarah H. Howland for the first time Susan G. Hempton and Eliza Miller, who are present.

A proposition to appoint a committee for the purpose of preparing memorials of deceased friends (as may may open thereof) having been submitted to this meeting was fully united with and Lydia Congdon, Anna G. Wood, Rhoda Howland and Rachel S. Howland and Sarah H. Anthony were appointed to that service.

The committee appointed to visit Mrs. B. Linn presented the following report viz

We your committee in the case of Betsy B. Linn (late Miller) report that we have had several opportunities with her to a considerable degree of satisfaction and believe her to be sincere in her request to retain her right of membership which we submit to the

2nd M 1859 Meeting
 Susan G. Hampton
 Mary Gifford

2nd M 24, 1859. To Ben Bedford Monthly Meeting I am aware that I have decided to withdraw from the rules of Society by marrying an acknowledged that is not a member. Hope that friends of Betsy B will so far pass it by as to retain my right of membership.

Betsy B Luce,

The committee appointed to visit Betsy B Luce (late Fuller) in respect of her deviation in marriage presented the above report, which with her acknowledgments is accepted by this meeting, and it is the conclusion to retain her in membership with us. Having the concurrence of men present herein, and Eliza Fuller is appointed to give her the information.

Transcript of an acceptable Epistle from Ohio yearly Meeting of Women friends has been read to our edification.

reappoint The time having expired for which the mentioned Clerks of this Meeting were appointed Dorcas H. Tucker and Ruth V. Wood are reappointed to their service for the ensuing year or until another appointment. The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Dorcas H. Tucker Clerk

3rd M 1859. At Ben Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held, Bth Mth 24/1859

The representatives for Ben Bedford preparative Meeting are Mary Ann Wood and Susan Salter for Long plain Louisa B. Comen and Sarah D. Wing present.

The papers with answers from each of our preparatory meetings have been read in this, and a Summary compiled therefrom which with an account to the Quarterly Meeting we forward by our friends Betsy L. Ward, Lydia Tongdon, Susan G. Hempton, Anna G. Wood, and Hannah Bradford whom we appoint our representatives.

Our beloved friend Rachel S. Howland returned at this time the minute granted her 12th Mo. last and informed friends that she had performed the service for which she was liberated by this meeting to the satisfaction and peace of her own mind. She also produced a minute signed by friends of Deep River Monthly Guilford County N.C. expressive of her company and religious services having been acceptable and encouraging to them.

An interesting memorial concerning our dear deceased friend Hannah Taber has been read and much unity of expression thereon. The Clerk is directed to have H. Taber to sign and forward it to the quarterly meeting.

Eliza Hillier informed this meeting that she had attended to her appointment in the case of Betsy B. Lue.

A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Avis H. Sanders has been read and accepted by this meeting men friends concerning her and Mary Gifford is appointed to visit her on account thereof.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Dorcas H. Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of
Women friends held 4.th Mo. 2. 1859.

The representatives for New Bedford
quarantine meeting are, Charles Gifford and
Lydia Blackman for Long Point Meeting & Black
and Eliza Davis who are present.

The representatives to the Monthly Meeting
inform that they attended, except one who
was prevented by sickness.

Mary Gifford reports that she
has attended to her appointment respecting
Miss H. Sanders.

The time having expired for which the
Officers of this Meeting were appointed.
Caleb Satterton, Sarah H. Anthony, Mary
P. Wood, Lydia Longden, Mary Gifford.

Elizabeth Davis, Hannah Triggs, and Mary
H. are appointed to take care of
friends suitable for the Society and report
to our next Monthly Meeting.

The time having also expired for which
the Officers of the year were appointed the
Subject is referred to the same Committee.

A removal certificate from Antislavery
Monthly Meeting on behalf of John W. Smith
his wife Eliza W. Smith and their daughter
Gulielma has been read and accepted by
this Meeting, having the concurrence of our
friends. John W. Smith and Eliza W. Smith
are appointed to visit them on the removal.

A removal certificate from South
West Monthly Meeting on behalf of John
Blackman a minor, has been accepted with
concurrence with the mens meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished
we conclude.

Charles Gifford Secy

In 1843 At Ben Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women for
Feb. 26, 1843, Nov. 26, 1843,

The representatives for Ben Bedford
presented the following names for the year
Lydia B. Clark for Ben Bedford
and Sarah B. Hale, present except Abby
Harris who was prevented by sickness in the
winter.

The committee appointed for the year
to being forward the names of some friends
suitable to serve this Meeting as officers
reported that they are united in the appointment
of Phoebe Russell, Ann H. Dunbar Ruth Wood
and Anne G. H. for the year 1844 for the
Meeting, Eliza C. Davis, Susan G. Kimpton
Abby Bradford and Lydia S. Ester for
Long Plains.

They also propose for officers of the
year 1844 to be the following, Phoebe Russell in
Long Kimpton and Anne G. H. for the year
1844 for Ben Bedford. Mary Ann H. H. H. H. H.
for Ben Bedford; Phoebe S. Delano, and Abby
Harris for Long Plains which being united
with they are unanimously appointed to these
services respectively for the year ensuing
in winter 1844 to 1845.

The friends appointed to visit Eliza
B. Swift on account of the reception of
her certificate to this Meeting report that
they have attended thereto.

An acceptable Epistle from Indiana
read at this time.

The business of the Meeting being
accomplished we adjourned.

Doors H. Tucker Clerk

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in London and Dublin ...

The company of our friends has been
 very large, and the meeting has been
 very successful. The friends who have
 been present are, Lydia B. Tucker, and
 Sophia B. Tucker, for Long Plain, Louisa B. Corwin and
 Lydia B. Tucker, who are present.

Our beloved friend, Lydia Longdon returned
 to this meeting. She has been in the
 service of the mission for some time. She has
 been in the mission of love to a distant land, and
 of the service for which she was thus fitted
 to the entire peace and relief of her mind.

We are informed by certificates from the Yearly
 Meetings of London and Dublin that her
 company was acceptable to them.

The business of the meeting being finished
 we conclude.

Lucas A. Tucker Clerk

At the Bedford Monthly Meeting, held, 7th M. 28, 1859.

The representatives for Bedford for
 the Quarterly Meeting, are Lydia B. Tucker, and Sophia
 B. Tucker, for Long Plain, Louisa B. Corwin and
 Lydia B. Tucker, who are present.

The representatives to
 the Quarterly Meeting, inform that they attended
 agreeably to appointment.

The annual report of the Committee having
 charge of the Yearly Meeting School, has
 been read and is acceptable to friends.
 It enjoins upon Monthly Meetings to take
 care by committees that suitable enquiries
 be made as to the fitness of Scholars pro-
 posing to enter the School belonging to their
 respective Meetings. The Meeting therefore
 appoints Lucas A. Tucker, Lydia B. Tucker, Ruth
 S. Wood, Betsey Wood, Hannah Trapp,
 Mary Gifford, Phoebe S. Wood, Susan G. Hampton

and Lydia Longdon, a committee to furnish
entireties to such children as may be thought
suitable to enter the School the ensuing year.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly
Meeting of Women friends have been read to our
encouragement, and we appoint Susan Taber
Anna Bradford, Elizabeth Kimpton, Mary Ann
Hewland, Rachel S. Hewland, Hannah Kimpton
Abner Hobbes, Mary Wood, Susan G. Kimpton
Eliza C. Fair, and Mary Allen, to read the
with such other documents as may be presented
to such of our members as may be present and
from mingling with us in a meeting to be held
The business of the Meeting being accomplished
we conclude,

Diana S. Tucker Clerk

At the New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
held 8th Mo. 1859.

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative Meeting are Anna G. Morse, and
Hannah Bownman, for Long Plains Lydia
Dexter, and Phoebe Gifford all present,

The Longdon General Epistle of last
year containing much excellent counsel
has been read at this time. The business
of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.
Diana S. Tucker Clerk

At the New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
held 9th Mo. 22nd 1859.

The representatives for New Bedford prep
arative Meeting are Anna G. Morse and
Elizabeth Morse, for Long Plains Lydia
Dexter, for New Bedford Preparative Meeting
Anna G. Morse, and Elizabeth Morse.

Our beloved friends Edward Brown and his
wife Elizabeth Gore attended this Meeting.

proceeding with perfect satisfaction. Several
Monthly Meetings their company and participation
have been both accepted & to us. The Clerk
is directed to meet with the Clerk of the same
meeting in signing endorsements on their
minutes.

The Minutes with answers to the 1st
2^d and 18th from each of our preparative Meetings
have been read in this and a hymn one of which
was approved and directed to be forwarded
to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by appointment
to which were appointed Anna S. Wood,
Betsy Bradford, Deborah Tullman, and
Dorcas S. Tucker.

Mary Gifford, Deborah Taber,
Betsy P. Waite, Anna G. Wood, Lydia Congdon,
Elizabeth G. Hampton, Lydia B. Crocker and
Dorcas S. Tucker are appointed to unite with
a committee of men, for the purpose of
bringing forward from time to time as many
men ~~as~~ open themselves for the names of such
persons as they may consider suitable to fill
the Station of Elders.

The business
of the Meeting being finished we conclude,

Dorcas S. Tucker Clerk.

10th Mo. 1859. End Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends.
Held, 10th Mo. 27. 1859.

The representatives for Men Bedford
preparative Meeting are, Thos. C. Smith and John
H. Allen. Song Plain Sarah Horlance and
Betsy S. Wood present except one who was
prevented from attending by indisposition.

The Clerk of this Meeting being absent
Sarah H. Anthony is appointed Clerk for the
day. The representatives to the Quarterly
Meeting report that they attended except
one who has rendered a sufficient reason
for her absence.

1859 The committee on the Subject of Elders report that they are united in proposing Eliza L Davis, & Anna G Wood, for that appointment Station which being considered is fully united with, having the concurrence of our friends therein, which is referred to the Quarterly Meeting. We also unite with the men in the appointment of Joseph Thompson, David A. Tucker, & John Wood to the same Station.

The committee appointed last Month on the Subject of Elders, are released from further service therein.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Sarah H Anthony Clerk
for the day

11th Mo 24 At New Bedford ~~Preparative~~ Monthly Meeting of Women friends, held, 11th Mo 24 1856.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative Meeting are Deborah Tallman and Ruth L Wood, for Long Island Elizabeth Wood, and Mary B Bradford all present.

The Minutes with answers to the 4th, 2nd, and 10th from each of our preparative Meetings have been read in this a Summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends, Hannah Leonard, Lydia J. Stoddard, Sarah H Anthony, and Nancy B. Billingsham whom we appoint our representatives. This Meeting unites in judgment with our friends in retaining Elias Knowles a member of our religious Society.

18.5.9.11^m William R Yabe having requested a removal certificate for himself and family to Scipio Monthly Meeting New York, Lydia Longdon and Mary Sher, are appointed to unite with a committee of the mens Meeting in preparing on their behalf, and present to a future meeting. The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Dorcas F Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends, held, 12th Mo, 22nd, 1859,

The representatives for New Bedford preparative Meeting are Lydia T Howard, and Abner Dethridge, for Long Plain Thos Dethridge and Eliza C Davis who were present.

The representatives to the Synodical Meeting report they attended except Nancy B Dillingham who was prevented by sickness in her family.

The committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate to Scipio Monthly Meeting on behalf of William R Yabe, his wife Mary Davis, and their three minor children, viz Mary Grace Susan James and Benjamin Francis, have accordingly presented one which is approved and the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of the Meeting.

A removal certificate on behalf of Elias Knowles addressed to Greenfield Monthly Meeting Indiana has been appeared in concurrence with the mens Meeting and the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this.

The concurrence with mens friends in retaining William Almy a member of our religious Society.

We also unite with them in disowning Joseph Dillingham his right of membership with us.

An interesting epistle from London Yearly Meeting of Women friends has been read and is acceptable to us.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Dorcas & Yucka Clark

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held, 1st mo 26, 1867

The representatives for New Bedford preparative Meeting are Dorcas & Yucka and Rhoda Kelly for Long Plain Abbie Holmes and Sarah & Wino, present except one who was prevented by sickness,

A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of James Almy his wife Ruth and their minor children viz Jacob and Sophia has been accepted by this Meeting in connection with the mens, Sarah H. Anthony, and Anna G. Wood, are appointed to visit them on the account.

This Meeting unites in judgment with the mens in disowning Philip and William Shurman from membership with us,

Transcripts of Epistles from the Yearly Meetings of Women friends held in Dublin, New York, and Baltimore have been read and were acceptable to us,

By the accounts of the committee having the care of the Charitable fund belonging to this Meeting it appears they have distributed during the past year \$145 among 25 individuals, leaving a balance on hand of \$11

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude,

Dorcas & Yucka Clark

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2nd Mo. 1860, At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
friends, held, 2nd Mo 23, 1860,

The representatives to the ~~Quarterly~~
for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are
Lydia B Tucker and Lydia Y Howland for Long plain
Elizabeth Sweet and Loisa Tower all present,

The assistant clerk being absent Abbie Holmes
is appointed for the day,

The friends appointed to visit the family of
James Almy on account of the reception of their
removal certificate to this meeting, upon, they have
performed the service,

Ann M. May having requested
to become a member of our religious Society Susan
Howland, Sarah W. Anthony, and Rachel S. Howland
are appointed to visit her on account thereof and
report when ready,

William C. Yager and
Rhoda Howland having informed this meeting of
their intentions of marriage with each other
Sarah W. Anthony and Dorcas S. Tucker are appointed
to take the necessary care in the case, and report
to our next monthly meeting,

A removal certificate addressed to Starksborough
monthly Meeting on behalf of Timothy Davis has
been read and approved in concurrence with
the mens meeting,

Abner Wood and Elizabeth
G. Hampton having informed this meeting of
their intentions of marriage with each other
Mary Ann King, and Eliza C. Davis are appointed
to make the necessary inquiries respecting her
cleanness to prove ~~them~~ and report to our
next monthly meeting,

The time having
expired for which the Clerks of this meeting
were appointed Ann H. Dunbar, Betsy T. Wood,
and Lydia Y. Howland, are appointed to propose
to our next monthly meeting the names of two
friends to serve in that capacity the ensuing
year, or until another appointment,

The business of the meeting being accomplished
we conclude,

Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk,

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
1860, 3rd friends, held, 3rd Mo, 22nd 1860

The representatives
for New Bedford preparative meeting are Phoebe
Swift and Lydia B. Crocker for Longfellow
Phoebe S. Delano, and Hannah Bradford,
all present,

The friends appointed
last month to select Clerks for this meeting
propose Dorcas F. Tucker for Clerk and Anna G.
Wood for assistant Clerk which is united
with they are accordingly appointed to that service
for the ensuing year or untill another appointment

The Queries with answers from each of our
preparative meetings have been read in this a
Summary collected from the answers for the
Quarterly meeting which with an account is
to be forwarded thereto by our friends Rhoda Y.
Gifford, Ann H. Dundas, Dolly Bradford Sarah
M. Howland, whom we appoint our representatives

We are informed through New Bedford preparative meeting
that Caroline Morgan late Taber having married
out of the good order of our Society we appoint
Anna G. Wood and Sarah H. Anthony to visit
her on the account and report the result
thereof at a future meeting.

The friends appoin-
ted report that they find nothing to present
Rhoda Howland from proceeding in marriage
with William C. Taber they are therefore left
at liberty to solemnize their marriage according
to the good order of our Society, and Dorcas F. Tucker
and Rhoda Y. Gifford are appointed to have the
oversight thereof and report when accomplished

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The friends appointed report they find nothing to prevent Elizabeth G Hempton from proceeding in marriage with Albert Wood, and they having consent of friends are at left at liberty to accomplish their marriage according to the good order of our Society. Sarah H. Anthony and Mary Ann Wing are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report at a future meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude,

Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk,

1st Mo 1860

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The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Rhoda Kelly and Deborah Taber, for Longfellow Phoebe Gifford and Sarah B. Stode all present,

The representatives to the quarterly meeting report they attended agreeable to appointment,

The friends appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Albert Wood and Elizabeth G Hempton report that it was conducted in an orderly and becoming manner which is satisfactory to the meeting.

The committee appointed to visit Caroline Morgan late Taber on account of her deviation in marriage have presented the following report which is accepted by this Meeting and having the concurrence of men friends herein she is disowned from membership with us, and Lydia Longdon is appointed to inform her thereof,

I, the monthly Meeting,

In accordance with our appointment we have had an interview with Caroline Morgan late Taber on the subject of her deviation in marriage

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She expressed an interest in the Society, but considering the situation in which she was now placed being remote from any meeting of Friends and expecting to attend those of another denomination, she felt that she could not consistently be retained a member of our Society, and thought best for friends to disown her therefrom which we submit to the judgment of the meeting.

4th Mo. 26, 1860

Sarah W. Anthony,
Anna G. Wood,

appointment
of friends, on
memorials

Rachel S. Howland, Mary Shove, Sarah W. Anthony, Anna G. Wood, Susan Howland, and Susan B. Kimpton, are appointed to unite with a Committee of men friends for the purpose of preparing memorials of deceased friends as may may open therefor, which is united with by this meeting,

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude,
Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk

5th Mo. 26, 1860

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held, 5th Mo. 24th 1860,

The representatives for New Bedford preparative Meeting are Lydia J. Howland, and Ann H. Dunbar, for Long Plains Abbey Holmes, and Betsy G. Wood, all present

The friends appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of William C. Taber and Rhoda Howland report that it was conducted in an orderly manner; which was satisfactory to the meeting,

Alathia Davis having requested to become a member of our religious Society Mary Shove, and Betsy P. Wood, are appointed to visit her on account thereof and report to a future meeting

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This meeting unites in judgment with the mens meeting in retaining John F. Tucker

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a member of our religious Society,

The time having expired for which the overseers of this meeting were appointed, the Meeting is united in the reappointment of the same friends for the ensuing year, namely, Phoebe Russell, Ann H Dunbar, Ruth S Wood, and Anna G Wood, for New Bedford preparative meeting, for Long plain Eliza C Davis, Susan G Kempton, Dolly Bradford, and Lydia Dexter.

The Meeting is also united in the reappointment of the same friends for overseers of the free, viz, Sarah Howland, Sophia Rickerson Love Kempton, and Rhoda T Gifford for New Bedford. Mary Ann Wing, Mary B Bradford, Phoebe S Delane, and Abby Holmes for Long plain preparative meeting.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude,

Cecilia Yucker Clerk

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At New Bedford. Monthly Meeting of Women friends held, 6th Month 2.5th 1860,

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Rhoda T Gifford, and Ruth Almy, for Long plain Susan B Kempton and Betsy Miller present except one for whose absence a reason was assigned.

The Clerk being absent Sarah M Anthony was appointed Clerk for the day.

Our beloved friend Hannah T Fry from Marlborough Monthly Meeting State of New York - Sunday M. Hoag from Rocksylvania Monthly Meeting Iowa, & Samuel Loyd of White Creek Monthly Meeting Ohio, have been with us at this time producing satisfactory testimonials from their respective meetings expressing unity with their ministry and present religious engagements, their company and religious services have been acceptable to us. Our esteemed friends Lindley M. and Mary M. Fairs companions to Hannah T Fry with a minute

from Cornwall Quarterly Meeting and Asa William companion to Samuel by a from Goshen Monthly Meeting Ohio, attended this Meeting their company and solid deportment has been satisfactory to us. The Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Mens Meeting in furnishing the above named friends with minutes conformable to those made on their behalf.

The queries with answers to the 1st, 2nd, and 10th from each of our preparative Meetings have been read, and Summary collected from the answers, which is to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends Lydia Longdon, Mary Stone, Lydia B. Crocker, Mary Gifford, & Susan G. Hampton, whom we appoint our representatives,

The committee appointed to visit Alathia Davis, presented the following report namely
To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to the appointment we have visited Alathia Davis on account of her request to be received into membership, our interview with her on the subject was very satisfactory,

Alathia Davis we believe her sincere in her request and convinced of the principles of our religious Society and we think it will be safe to admit her into membership as a member, we submit the case to the Monthly Meeting,

Amherst Co. 11th Mo. 28th 1860,

Mary Stone
Betsy S. Thood

The above report is accepted by this and the Mens Meeting and she is accordingly received into membership with us and Susan G. Hampton is appointed to inform her thereof,

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude,

Isaac H. Anthony Clerk for the day

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held, 7th Mo. 26, 1860,

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative Meeting are Ruth Wood and Phoebe Snipe
for Long Point Betsy Wood and Sarah Howland,
all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report
that they attended agreeable to appointment,

Susan G. Kempton informs that she
has attended to her appointment in the case of
Alathia Davis,

Extracts from the minutes of our
last Yearly Meeting of Women friends have been
read at this time and were acceptable to us,
we appoint Susan Taber Lucia R. Gifford,
Elizabeth Wing, Mary Wood, Phoebe S. Delano, Abby
Holmes, and Phoebe Howland to read them with
some of the Epistles from other Yearly Meetings to such
of our members as are prevented from mingling with
us in a Meeting capacity.

We have read at this
time the report of the Boarding School Committee
a minute prepared by the Meeting for Sufferings
in relation to liberating ministers for religious
service, an article relative to the ^{2^d} ^{1st} Query
in regard to love and unity all of which are
acceptable to the Meeting.

This Meeting unites in judgment with
the mens Meeting in restoring James Macomber
a member of our religious Society.

The business of the Meeting
being accomplished we conclude,

Doreas S. Quicker Clerk

At New Bedford preparative Meeting of Women
friends, held, 8th Month 26, 1860,

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative Meeting are Phoebe Allen, and Ann H.
Dunbar for Long Point. Lydia Ricketson and
Eliza B. Snipe present except two for whose
absence satisfactory reasons were given,

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Our esteemed friend Stephen Sherman informed this meeting that he felt a willingness to accompany our friend Samuel Gifford on a religious visit to friends and others within the limits of Salem, Crossborough and Fairfield Quarterly Meetings, which is united with he being a member in good esteem with us,

The Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of a minute embracing the substance of the Epistle of 1859, containing much excellent counsel has been read at this time to our edification and encouragement, we have also read Transcript of an Epistle from Dublin Yearly Meeting of Women friends which was acceptable to us.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Deccas T. Tucker Clerk

9th Mth 27. 60 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 2nd month, 27th 1860.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Rhoda T. Gifford and Helen Howland, for Long Plain Mary S. Mather and Sarah Thade & Thome, The Clerk being absent Sarah H. Anthony is appointed for the day.

The queries have been read with answers to the first, second, and tenth from each of the preparative meetings and a Summary compiled therefrom, which with an account is to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends Susan G. Kimpton, Rhoda T. Gifford and Sarah H. Anthony whom we appoint our representatives,

Our beloved friend

Mary Thore expressed in this meeting a concern she had felt for some time to attend in respect to the Yearly Meeting of Baltimore, and perform some religious service going and returning as South may open the way which being considered

and united with by this Meeting she was left at liberty to proceed herein, she being a minister in unity with us, and the Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute,

Manuscript of an interesting Epistle from San Luke Monthly Meeting of Women friends has been read to our comfort and edification,

Our Esteemed Friend Susan Chapman returned at this time the minute granted him at our last Monthly Meeting with endorsements from Salem, Yarmouth, Fairfield, & Passabrook, Quarterly Meetings also from Passabrook Monthly Meeting, expressive of his company having been acceptable to friends of those Meetings,

A removal certificate from San Luke Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mary & William W. Wood, in fact sons of the late George & Elizabeth W. Wood has been read and accepted in concurrence with the Minutes.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude,

Amos W. Anthony Clerk for the day

At San Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 10th Moth 25, 1860,

The representatives to the Monthly Meeting from San Bedford preparative Meeting are Ruth Almy, and Lydia G. Montague for Longplain Louisa B. Lowin and Elizabeth L. Davis all present,

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting inform that they attended agreeably to appointment,

Harriet Ward and Mary B. Bowman having removed to reside within the limits of Scipio Monthly Meeting Ruth I. Wood & Lydia Congdon are appointed to prepare a removal certificate on their behalf and present at a future sitting of the Meeting,

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Our beloved friend Elizabeth Seckham attended this meeting producing a satisfactory minute from South Kingston Monthly Meeting her company and religious services have been acceptable to us, the Clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the mens meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this,

The friend appointed to inform Caroline Morgan of the postponement of this meeting defects that she has attended there,

Transcript of an Epistle from the yearly meeting of Baltimore has been read and was acceptable to us,

The business of the meeting being finished we concluded

Deccas P Tucker Clerk

11th Month 1860. At the Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held, 11th Mo, 22nd 1860;

The representatives for the Bedford preparative meeting are Love Hempton and Hepsa H. Shearman for Longplain Lydia Ricketson and Dolly Bradford all present,

The grievances with answers to the 1st, 2nd, and 10th from each our preparative meetings have been read in this a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends Susan G Hempton Rhoda Gifford, Thibe H Allen, and Mary B Bradford whom we appoint our representatives,

The friends appointed to prepare a removal certificate to Scipio Monthly Meeting on behalf of Harriet W and Mary B Bonmar have accordingly presented one which is approved by this and the mens meeting and the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this.

Our beloved friend Mary Shaw returned to this meeting a certificate granted her in 9th month last and informed friends that she had performed the service for which she was liberated to the peace and satisfaction of her own mind. She also presented a minute from Baltimore yearly

11th Month 1860 Meeting acknowledging that she had been acceptably with them, which is satisfactory to the Meeting.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude
Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk,

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends, held,
12th Month 27th 1860,

The representatives for New Bedford preparative Meeting are Ruth Hood and Sophia Ricketson for Long Plain Sarah B. Stader and Abbie Holmes, all present,

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attend,

An interesting Epistle from the Yearly Meeting of Littleton, has been read and was edifying and instructive to us.

This meeting unites in judgment with many of our friends in retaining William C. Yager, a member of our Religious Society.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude
Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk

15th Mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends, held,
1st Month 24th 1861,

The representatives for New Bedford preparative Meeting are Ruth Hood and Eliza Ann Gripp, for Long Plain Betsey F. Wood and Nancy B. Sillingham, all present.

The following communication addressed to this Meeting from Lucia Lucia Gilman late Gifford on account of her deviation in marriage has been received and read in which she expressed a decided choice to be retained in membership with us, and we believe it right to record in making this minute that the Meeting has entered into a weighty consideration of the peculiar circumstances attending this case, and have decided to accept of her request to be retained without the appointment of a committee (men friends concurring herein) and at the same time having no wish to establish a precedent for the decision of future cases,

and Mary B Bradford is appointed to give her information,

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of friends,

I am aware that by marriage I have violated a rule of discipline, I have a strong attachment for the Society and its principles and would like to remain a member.

Lucinda G Chace

Valley Falls, N. P.

1st Mo. 21, 1861

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude

Lucas P Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of
2nd Mo. 18, 61 Women friends, held, 2nd Month, 28th 18, 61.

The representatives for New Bedford previous
time meeting are, Love Hampton and Deborah Linn
for Longplain Susan G. Hampton and Louisa B
Linn, all present,

Mary B Bradford reports
that she has informed Lucinda G Chace of the judging
of this meeting.

Transcript of an Epistle from Ohio
yearly Meeting of Women friends has been read and
was instructive to us,

reappointment
of clerks

The time having expired
for which the clerks of this meeting were appointed
Lucas P Tucker is reappointed Clerk and Anna G
Wood assistant Clerk for the ensuing year until
another appointment,

The business of the meeting
being accomplished we conclude

Lucas P Tucker Clerk

Dec. month, 1861. New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
Dec. month 28.th 1861.

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative meeting are Rhoda T. Gifford and Ann H.
Allen, for Long Island Phoebe S. Delano and Eliza C.
Davis, all present.

The Queries with answers from
each of our preparative Meetings have been read in
this and a summary compiled therefrom which with
an account to the Quarterly Meeting we forwarded
to our representatives to which Service we appoint
Sylvia G. Horland, Dolly Bradford, Dorcas F.
Tucker and Mary B. Bradford.

A removal
certificate addressed to Greenwich Monthly Meeting
on behalf of Edward W. Green has been read and
approved in concurrence with the mens Meeting.

An interesting and instructive memorial concerning
our dear deceased friend Joseph Davis has been
read and fully approved by this and the mens
Meeting. The Clerk is directed to sign the same
on our behalf.

Our beloved friend Susan Horland
spread before this Meeting a prospect which had
for several months past rested with weight on
her mind to attend in Gospel love the approaching
Yearly Meetings of Philadelphia and New York.
At a time of deliberation her prospect was
fully and feelingly united with and she left
at liberty to attend there as Truth may require
may. She being a Minister in good esteem with us.

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with
a minute embracing the substance of this.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished
we conclude.

Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk

1861 4th mo 20 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held, 4th Month 23rd 1861.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative Meeting are Anna Davis and Julia Howard for Long plain Nancy Willingham and Susan G. Kempton, all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended.

The time having expired for which the business of this meeting was appointed Sarah H. Anthony, Betsy F. Wood, Mary Shaw, Lydia Congdon, and Mark Abney are appointed to bring forward the names of friends suitable to serve in that capacity and present them at our next Monthly Meeting. The time having also expired for which the business of the previous appointed the subject is referred to the same committee.

A removal certificate from Oswego Monthly Meeting State of New York on behalf of Hannah McLeary has been read and received by this and the same meeting. Anna G. Wood and Rhoda H. Yaker are appointed to visit her on the account.

This Meeting unites in judgment with our friends in retaining Seth Bowman a member of our religious Society. We also unite with them in receiving Seth Bradford into membership with us.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk

5th mo 23 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held, 5th Month 23rd 1861.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative Meeting are Hannah Leonard and Hester H. Shiman, for Long plain Peter Gifford and Lurisa Blower all present.

The committee appointed to select such friends as they might judge suitable to serve this Meeting as visitors report that they are united in the reappointment.

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appointment of Ann H. Dunbar, Ruth I. Wood, and Anna I. Wood for next
Bedford preparative meeting, with the addition of Rhoda
Villu whom we appoint to fill the vacancy occasioned
by the Death of our dear friend Phoebe Russell,
they are also united in the reappointment of the same
friends for Long Island preparative meeting, namely
Oliver C. Davis, Susan I. Hampton Dolly Bradford and
Lydia Dexter. and the reappointment of the same
friends for traversers of the year, for New Bedford
Sarah Howland, Sophia Dickinson, Lou Hampton and
Rhoda I. Gifford, for Long Island Mary Ann King, Mary
B. Bradford, Fiske I. Pelam, and Abby Holmes, with
the addition of Susan Lipp, which being united with
they are accordingly appointed to those duties respectively
for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

A request from Hetty C. Howland wife of Abner
Howland to be admitted into membership with us
has been received through New Bedford preparative
meeting. Susan Howland and Deas F. Tucker are
appointed to visit her on the account and report at
a future meeting.

Our dear friend Lydia Longdon
expresses in this meeting a willingness to accompany
her sister Susan Howland on her proposed religious
visit to New York yearly meeting which being united
with she is left at liberty to attend thereto being
an Elder in unity and good esteem with us.

Our esteemed friend John Wood
having also informed this meeting that he had a
prospect of accompanying our dear friend Susan
Howland on her mission of love to New York yearly
meeting, this meeting unites with in his prospect
he being an Elder in unity. The clerk is directed
to unite with the clerk of the mens meeting in furnish-
ing them with minutes embracing the substance of this.

William M. Ellison, having requested a removal
certificate for himself his wife Abby, S. Ellison, and
two minor children namely Asa and Edward M.
Ellison to Sandwich Monthly Meeting.

Thomas H. Howland also requests a removal

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Certificate for himself and wife Sarah Howland
to the same Monthly Meeting on which account, we
appoint Rhoda T Gifford and Eliza C Davis to unite
with a committee of men friends in preparing certificates
on their behalf and present at a future meeting.

We are informed through Long Plain
preparative meeting that Mary Jane Howland daughter
of Thomas requests a removal certificate to Sandwich
Monthly Meeting, and Rhoda T Gifford and Eliza C
Davis, are appointed to take the necessary care in
this case, and report when ready,

We have been informed
from Scipio Monthly Meeting that they have accepted
our removal certificates for Harriet W and Mary B
Bennett.

The business of the meeting being accomplished
we conclude,

Wm W Tucker Clerk

At: New Bedford. Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
6th month 27, 6th month 27, 1861.

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative meeting are Ruth Army, and Rhoda T
Gifford. for Long Plain Hannah Tappin, and Eliza
Stiller, all present

The Inquiries with answers to the 1st, 2nd, and 10th
from each of our preparative meetings have been
read a summary of which with an account to
the Quarterly Meeting are to be forwarded by our
representation to which service we appoint,
Mary Shaw, Nancy B Dillingham, Susan Taber
and Anna G Wood,

The committee appointed to visit
Netty C Howland, on her request to be received into
Netty C Howland membership with us, presented the following report.
I have requested to the Monthly Meeting. We have visited
Netty C Howland and conferred with her on the subject
of her admittance as a member of our religious Society
and are united in believing she is sincere in her
request and settled in the belief of the religious

principles of our Society. We submit the case to the judgment of the Monthly Meeting.

Susan Howland
Dorcas & Tucker

New Bedford 6th Month 27th 1861. The above report is accepted by this Meeting and having the concurrence of our friends herein she is accordingly received into membership with us and Lydia Congdon is appointed to give her the information.

The committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of William M. Ellison his wife Abby S. and their minor children namely, Asa S. and Edward M. Ellison, have accordingly presented one, which is approved.

The committee have also presented one on behalf of Thomas H. Howland and his wife Sarah, addressed to the same Monthly Meeting, which has been read and approved by the Meeting.

A removal certificate addressed to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Charles Howland has been read and approved in concurrence with the mens Meeting.

And one on behalf of Mary Jane Howland to the same Monthly Meeting has been approved with the unity of our friends herein. The Clerk is authorized to sign the above named certificates on behalf of this Meeting.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned the minute furnished her in Bth Mth last to visit in Gospel love the Yearly Meetings of Philadelphia and New York, accompanied with a minute from New York Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders certifying that her company and religious services had been acceptable to them, which with an account she gave of her visit to those Meetings was satisfactory to us.

Our beloved friend Lydia Congdon returned the minute granted her by this Meeting to accompany her sister Susan Howland on her religious ^{visit} to New York Yearly Meeting she also presented a minute from that Meeting informing that her company had been acceptable to them, which was acceptable to us.

The friends appointed to visit Hannah M. Loughton on account of the reception of her certificate to this Meeting report that they have attended thereto.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Deas & Sicker Clerk.

7th Mo 25, 1861. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held, 7th Mo 25, 1861.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative Meeting are, Melissa H. Shearman and Anna Davis for Long Plain Susan G. Kempton and Mary Ann Wing all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended.

Sydia Longdon informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Hettie C. Howland.

The committee appointed in 2nd month 1860, to visit Ann M. Macy on account of her request to be admitted into membership with us, make verbal report, that they ^{have} given attention to the subject, but owing to her mental derangement they are released from further service in the case.

Annual report of the committee having charge of our yearly Meeting Boarding School has been read and was interesting and acceptable to us.

Also a minute of advice from New England Yearly Meeting to its members has been read most acceptably amongst us.

A removal certificate from Providence Monthly Meeting on behalf of James Robinson has been adopted in concurrence with men friends.

This Meeting unites with men friends in granting the request from New Bedford preparative Meeting to change the time of holding our afternoon meeting on first ^{day} from 4 o'clock, to 7th until after our Monthly Meeting in 9th month.

Our appointees Mary Elisa Shearman, Mary Anna Laker, Mary B. Bradford, Mary Ann Wing, Phoebe S. Detano, Nancy B. Dillingham,

and Abbie Holmes. to read the Epistles from neighbouring yearly meetings with a minute of advice from our yearly meeting to such of our members as may be prevented from mingling with us in a meeting capacity.

The business of the meeting being accomplished
 " 22. 1861 we conclude,

Dorcas T Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends,
 held 8th Month, 22nd 1861.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Mary Ann Howland and Sophia Ricketson, for Long Plain Dolly Bradford and Nancy B. Dillingham, all present.

The assistant Clerk being absent Sarah M. Howland is appointed for the day.

We are informed from Long Plain preparative meeting that Lydia H. Ricketson requests a removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on which account we appoint Susan G. Kempton and Mary Gifford to prepare one on her behalf and present at a future meeting.

The London general Epistle of 1860, containing much excellent counsel has been read at this time and was acceptable to us.

Our Esteemed friend Henry T. Wood and his wife Anna G. Wood informed this meeting that they had a prospect of accompanying our friend Elisabeth Meader of Providence Monthly Meeting on her proposed religious visit to Ohio, Western, Indiana and Baltimore yearly meetings, which were fully united with, and they left at liberty to proceed therein being members in good esteem and are an Elder in unity with us.

The Clerks were directed to furnish the above named friends with minutes conformable to those made on their behalf.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude,

Dorcas T Tucker Clerk

11. New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 9.th Mo 26, 1861.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are, Ruth Almy and Susan Yaker for Longfellow Sarah B. Stade, and Susan Trapp all present. In the absence of the assistant clerk Ruth L. Wood is appointed for the day.

The queries with answers to the 1.st, 2.nd, and 10.th from each of our preparative meetings, have been read a summary compiled therefrom which with an account is to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends Deborah Yaker, Mary Ann Howland, Hannah Trapp, and Eliza C. Davis whom we appoint our representatives.

Lydia Ricketson The friends appointed to prepare a removal certificate for Lydia A. Ricketson addressed to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting have accordingly presented one which has been read and approved by this and the mens meeting, and the clerk is authorized to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

This meeting unites in judgment with men friends in establishing the time of holding our meeting on first day afternoon at 3 o'clock from first of 12 months to first of 4.th and the remainder of the year namely from first of 4.th to first of 12.th month at 7 1/2 o'clock in the evening.

An interesting Epistle from London Yearly Meeting of Women friends has been read and was acceptable to us. This meeting unites in judgment with men friends in disowning William T. Swift from membership with us.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude, Dorcas S. Tucker Clerk,

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46. New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held, 18.th Month, 24.th 1861.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Susan Dottridge and Lydia Ricketson for Longfellow Thibe S. Delano and Eliza C. Davis all present.

The assistant clerk being absent Sarah M. Howland is appointed for the day.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended West one who was prevented by indisposition. Our esteemed friend Albert Ripson attended this meeting producing a satisfactory minute from Smithfield Monthly Meeting his company and religious service has been acceptable to us. The clerk is directed to unite the clerk of the mens meeting in signing an endorsement on his minute.

A removal certificate on behalf of William Gregg addressed to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting has been read and approved in concurrence with men present, and the clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude. Treas. & Tucker Clerk,

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 11th Month 28th 1861

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Lydia T. Howland and Lydia B. Crocker, for Long Plain Phoebe Gifford and Abbie Holmes all present.

The queries with answers from our preparative meetings to the 1st, 2nd, and 10th have been read, and a summary collected from the answers for the Quarterly meeting which is to be forwarded thence by our representatives Ruth Almy, Sarah H. Anthony, Eliza Miller, and Phoebe D. Delano.

Our Esteemed friend Edmund Dove attended this meeting presenting a minute of concurrence from Westbrook Monthly Meeting his company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us. The clerk is authorized to unite with the clerk of the mens meeting in signing an endorsement on his minute.

Our beloved friend Rachel S. Howland minute asked the liberty of this meeting to visit a Prison, a School, Hospital, and to appoint two there

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more public meetings without the limits of the Quarterly Meeting, after a season of deliberation she had the full unity and sympathy of this meeting, and was encouraged to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct, being a member in unity with us.

An interesting Epistle from the yearly Meeting of Women friends held in Dublin has been read at this time.

Our beloved friends Henry I. Wood, and his wife Anna I. Wood, returned at this time the minute granted them by this meeting in 8th month last to accompany our friend Elizabeth Meader of Providence Monthly Meeting in her late religious visit to Ohio, Western, Indiana and Baltimore yearly Meetings; they have also presented minutes from those Meetings respectively expressing that their company and solid deportment had been acceptable to friends of those Meetings, which is interesting to us.

Eliza M. Cromwell having having
E. M. Cromwell requested a removal certificate to Dartmouth
removal at Monthly Meeting Doocas & Tucker and Lydia Congdon
icate, are appointed to prepare one on her behalf and
present it to our next monthly meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished
we conclude Doocas & Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly
Meeting of Women friends held, 12th Month 26, 1861

The representatives for New Bedford for the
Meeting are Eliza H. Shearman and Lou Kempton
for long John Hannah Bradford and Sarah
B. Shade, present except two they being prevented
by indisposition.

The representatives to the Quarterly
Meeting attended agreeable to appointment.

Our esteemed friend John Paige
attended this meeting producing a minute of unity
from New Monthly Meeting. His company and
religious service has been acceptable to us.

The Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the mens meeting in signing an endorsement on his minute.

This meeting unites with the mens meeting in retaining Joseph T. Shearman in membership with us.

The friends appointed to prepare a removal certificate for Eliza M. Cromwell addressed to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, have presented one, which has been read and approved by this and the mens meeting. The Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this

Meeting. An interesting Epistle from New York Yearly Meeting of Women friends has been read at this time.

James G. Montague
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61 This meeting unites in judgment with men friends in disowning James G. Howland his right of membership with us.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 1st Month 23. 1862.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Rhoda T. Gifford and Phoebe H. Allen, for Long plain Phoebe Gifford and Nancy B. Dillingham, present. Transcripts of Epistles from Baltimore and Ohio Yearly Meetings of Women friends have been read and were acceptable to us.

W. Boddle's
Epistles A removal certificate from Marlborough Monthly Meeting State of New York on behalf of Hannah M. Boddle, wife of John Boddle has been read and accepted by this and the mens meeting and we appoint Sarah H. Anthony and Lydia Congdon to visit her on the account.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude

Dorcas T. Tucker Clerk

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New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held, 2nd Month, 24th 1862.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Rhoda T Gifford and Lydia T Howland for Long plain, Betty Bradford and Mary Ann Wing all present.

The friends appointed to visit Hannah M. Boadle inform they have attended there, Nathan Babcock and Sarah M. Davis having informed this meeting of their intentions of marriage with each other Susan G. Kimpton and Mary Ann Wing are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next monthly meeting.

This meeting unites in judgment with men friends in retaining Matthew Miller a member of our religious Society.

An interesting Epistle from Indianna yearly Meeting of women friends has been read at this time.

The time having expired for which the clerks of this meeting were appointed Rachel T. Howland, Sarah H. Anthony, and Mary Snow are appointed to select two friends for the service and report to our next monthly meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude. Dorcas T. Tucker clerk.

New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held, 3rd Month 27. 1862.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Anna Cairns and Phoebe Swift for Long plain, Salina T. Polarr and Phoebe Gifford, all present.

The friends appointed last month to select clerks for this meeting propose the appointment of Dorcas T. Tucker for clerk and Anna G. Wood for assistant clerk, which being united with by this meeting ~~and~~ they are appointed to those duties for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

The queries with answers from each of our preparative meetings have been read in this a Summary compiled from the

answers which with an account to the Quarterly Meeting are to be forwarded thence by our representatives Dorcas F. Tucker, Edia Congdon, Abby C. Howland, and Mary Gifford.

The friends appointed last month report that they find nothing to prevent which Mr Davis from proceeding in marriage with Nathan Babcock and having consent of surviving parents they are left at liberty to solemnize their marriage according to the good order of our Society. Nancy B. Lillingham and Edisa C. Davis are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report at our next monthly meeting.

They have the liberty of the Monthly Meeting to solemnize their marriage at the residence of her invalid father.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk

41. New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held, 4th Mo 24th 1862

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth Wood, and Ruth Almy for Longplain Sarah B. Slade and Phoebe J. Delano present except one

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting attended agreeable to appointment.

The friends appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Nathan Babcock and Sarah W. Davis report that it was conducted in an orderly and becoming manner.

The time having expired for which the members of this meeting were appointed, we are united in the reappointment of the same friends for the ensuing year viz. for New Bedford Ann H. Dunbar Ruth Wood, Anna G. Troock, and Rhoda Kelly. for Longplain Edisa C. Davis, Susan G. Hampton, Abby Bradford, and Lydia Dexter. This meeting is also united in the reappointment of the same friends for the ensuing year viz. Sarah Howland, Sophia Hackett, Jane Hampton, and Rhoda J.

Support the Westford preparative meeting, for
 an hour, and are his, Mary B. Bedford,
 John Delano, Abbie Holmes and Susan Tripp.

The business of the meeting being accomplished
 we conclude,

Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk

At Westford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
 held 5th Mo. 22, 1862,

The representatives for Westford
 preparative meeting are Ruth M. Wood and Mary Ann
 Howland for Longplain Betsy G. Wood and
 Elisabeth M. Wood. all present.

We are informed through Westford preparative
 meeting that Eliza W. Jarvis late Hilly, has married
 out of the order of our Society on which account
 we appoint Mary Shove and Rhoda H. Taber
 to visit her, and report at a future meeting.

The business of the meeting being
 accomplished we conclude,

Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk

At Westford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
 held 6th Mo. 26, 1862,

The representatives for West
 Bedford preparative meeting are Ruth M. Wood
 and Sylvia G. Howland, for Longplain Phoebe
 J. Delano, and Abbie Holmes, all present.

Our beloved friend Phoebe Ann Sands attended
 this meeting producing a minute of unity from
 Amoskank monthly meeting held at York town
 Westchester County New York 9th of 5th month 1862.
 Her company and religious services have been
 acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Abbie W. Underhill
 attended this meeting companion to our friend
 Phoebe Ann Sands with a minute of unity
 from Amoskank monthly meeting State of New
 York. Her company and solid deportment have
 been acceptable to us. The Clerk is authorized
 to unite with the clerk of the New meeting

in furnishing them with minutes conformable to the above,

Our beloved friend William Greene attended this Meeting presenting acceptable testimonials from the Monthly Meeting of Lisburne Ireland endorsed by the Quarterly Meeting of the Province of W^h held at Lisburn 3^d day of 3rd Month, 1862, and one from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders for Ireland held in Dublin on the 20th of 4th Mo 1862. His company and Gospel labors have been acceptable and encouraging to us,

The queries with answers to the 1st, 2nd and 10th from each of our preparative Meetings have been read in this a Summary of which with an account to the Quarterly Meeting are to be forwarded thereto by our representatives Mary B Bradford, Sarah H Anthony, Abby Bradford, Eliza C Davis, and Mary Ann Wing. This Meeting voted in judgment with men joined in receiving Kelly S Eldridge into membership with us.

The business of this Meeting being accomplished under a solemn covering which has pervaded it we conclude.

Douglas P Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 7th Mo 24 1862,

The representatives for New Bedford preparative Meeting are Ruth S Wood and Sylvia G Howland, for Long plain Alathia Davis and Sarah B Shade present except one,

The representatives to the quarterly Meeting report that they attended except one for whose nonattendance a suitable reason was given,

To the Monthly Meeting Agreeable to appointment we have visited Eliza H Davis (late Kelly) in uniting herself

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7th Mo 1862 in marriage with one not in membership
with us. She informed us she was aware she
had violated a rule of our discipline but
hoped friends would so far pass it by,
as to retain her in membership, she appeared
tender and observed that friends meetings
were her meetings and she expected to attend
them, We submit the case to the feeling
Consideration of the Monthly Meeting.
Mary Shove
Rhoda H. Tucker

New Bedford 7th Mo 21. 1862,

The above report has been accepted by this Meeting
we are united in retaining her in membership
with us having the concurrence of our friends
here, Rhoda T. Gifford is appointed to give
her the information,

Lucas Mathewson late

Wilbur having moved out of the order of our
Society with one not in membership with us

Betsy Wood and Dorcas T. Tucker are appo-
inted to visit her on the account and report
when ready.

Lurida G. Chase having
requested a removal certificate to Providence
Monthly Meeting Anna G. Wood and Ruth T.
Wood are appointed to prepare one on her
behalf and present to our next Monthly Meeting

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Ed Baker This Meeting united in judgment with our friends
in retaining Edward L. Baker in membership
with us

Our beloved friend Susan Howland expressed
in this Meeting, a prospect which had for some time
impressed her mind, that service in a field of
labour was required of her in the Eastern Branch
of the Society. Meetings of attending Quarterly and Monthly Meetings
and to visit families constituting them as many
may open for it in the future, after a time of
deliberation her prospect was fully united with

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and she left at liberty to attend thence as best wisdom may direct being a minister in unity and good esteem with us,

Our beloved friend Lydia Longdon informed this meeting that she felt a willingness to accompany her sister Susan Howland in her proposed religious visit within the limits of Salem, Dorset, Falmouth, Passaborough and Fairfield Quarterly Meetings leaving the full unity of this meeting. She was left at liberty to attend thence, being in order in good esteem with us. The Clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the mens meetings furnishing them with minutes conformable to above.

Extracts from the minutes of our last yearly meeting comprising the report of the Boarding School, and an article of advice to its subordinate meetings on the subject of dealing with its members in fear and love have been read and were acceptable to us.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude

Dorcas H. Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held 8th Month 28. 1862,

The representatives for next year's preparative meeting are Deborah Taber and Hipsa H. Shiaman for Long plain Eliza Miller and Ann H. Macomber, present except two,

The friends appointed to prepare a removal certificate to Providence Monthly Meeting for Elizabeth H. Shaw have presented one which was approved by this and the Men's Meeting, and the Clerk was directed to sign it on behalf of this,

The friends appointed to visit Dorcas Washburn late Willcox on account of her deviation in marriage have presented the following report, namely,

8th Mo 1862 Agreeable to appointment we have visited
 Anna Washburn on account of her situation
 in marriage. She being kindly disposed
 towards friends, and expected occasionally
 to attend our meetings; but did not under
 present circumstances wish to retain her rights
 of membership which we submit to the
 Monthly Meeting,
 8th Month 28, 1862.

Betsy G. Wood.
 Decca S. Tucker.

The above report has been accepted by the meeting
 we are united in disowning her from membership
 with us having the concurrence of men friends
 there. and Mary B Bradford is appointed
 to inform her of the judgment of this meeting.

Having received the following minute from our de-
 parting meeting, we appoint Mary B Bradford,
 Anna G Wood, Mary Gifford and Mary Ann Young
 a committee on Education to render aid in
 procuring accurate statistical information for
 the increase of our first day schools and for the
 promotion of religious and literary education
 of our youth.

A removal certificate from
 Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Daniel
 W. S. Young and his wife Eliza L. S. Young has
 been accepted by this and the mens meeting.
 Mary Stone, and Mary Gifford, are appointed
 to visit her on the account.

Lydia C. Fisher
 Having requested to be released from our
 religious society we appoint Rachel S. Howard
 and Rhoda H. Fisher to confer with her on the
 account and report at a future meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished
 we conclude,

Decca S. Tucker Clerk

9 Mo 1862. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends held
9th Month 25 1862

The representatives for New Bedford preparative
Meeting are Anna Davis and Hannah Beadle for
Long Plain. Orris W. Sanders and Betsy Wither.

Mary B Bradford
informs she has attended to her appointment in the
case of Dorcas Washburn. Rhoda T Gifford also
reported that she had attended to her appointment
in the case of Eliza H. Davis.

The friends appointed
to visit Chloe C. S. King on account of the reception
of her certificate to this meeting inform they have
attended thereto.

The Queries with answers to the
1st Q. and 10. from our preparative meetings have
been read a Summary compiled therefrom which
with an account we forward to the Monthly Meeting
by our representatives Anna G. Good, Mary B
Bradford, Hannah Tripp, and Mary Ann Howland

Removal Certificates
for David T and John R Taber addressed to
New York Monthly Meeting have been approved in
concurrence with the mens Meeting and the Clerk
is authorised to sign them in behalf of this.

The friends appointed to treat with Lydia R Taber
on account of her request to be released from
membership with us have presented the following
report viz,

To the Monthly Meeting
Agreeably to our appointment we wrote to Lydia
R. Taber expressing the affectionate interest
and concern of this Monthly Meeting for her
best welfare, and requesting her to reconsider
the step she was about to take in relinquishing
her hitherto membership among us.

In reply she expressed her respect for the
Society and affection for her friends as well
as her regret for the pain she was giving them
by uniting herself to another religious associa-
tion. She stated that her mind had

9th Nov. has been decided and that she had waited
before taking this important step until she
was satisfied that nothing would be gained
by further delay. Under these circumstances
and believing further delay would be unavailing
she takes the liberty of recommending to friends
to accept the resignation of her right of
membership which she has already presented.

All of which we submit to the Nov. 1862
Meeting. Rhoda H. Taber
New Bedford Rachel S. Howland
9th Nov. 9th 1862.

Which is accepted by this meeting and having
heard of the resignation of Mrs. friend, having this released
Lydia K. Taber from membership with us and Rachel S. Howland
from membership and Rhoda H. Taber are appointed to inform
the friends of the same.

The business of the meeting being completed
shall we conclude,

Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Nov. friends
held, 11th Nov. 1862.

The representatives for New
Bedford preparative meeting are Ruth S. Wood
and Phoebe Swift for Longplain Dolly Bradford
and Nancy B. Dillingham all present.

The representatives
to the Quarterly Meeting report they attended
except one for whose absence a suitable
reason was given.

The friends appointed to
inform Lydia K. Taber of the judgment
of this meeting report they have attended
thence.

S. Howland Our beloved friend Susan Howland returns
at this time the minute furnished her in
Eastern District Seventh month last accompanied with
returning minutes from Salem, Palmar
Fairfield and Massachusetts Quarterly Meeting
and from Salem Palmar and Massachusetts

11th Mo 1862. Monthly Meetings certifying that her company and religious service had been acceptable to them. She informed the meeting that she had been enabled through Divine power to perform what she apprehended was required of her to the peace and quiet of her own mind which is satisfactory to friends.

Our beloved friend Lydia Congdon returned to this meeting. She informed us that she had been in 4 months to accompany her sister Susan Howland on a religious visit as therein expressed. She informed us that the service had been accomplished and she believed to the satisfaction of the visited and visitors. She presented returning minutes from Salem, Halmouth, Fairfield and Passablossa Quarterly meetings and from Passablossa Monthly Meeting, expressing that her company had been acceptable to them, which is satisfactory to friends.

The London General Epistle of 1862 has been read at this time and was truly acceptable to us.

This meeting unites in judgment with our friends in restoring to unity John W. Smith.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

George B. Tucker Clerk

11th Mo 27 1862. New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 11th Mo 27 1862

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Ruth Hony and Susan B. Hempton for Congregational, Lucina Town and Betsy G. Wood present except one who was prevented from attending by indisposition.

The queries with answers from the first, second and tenth from each of our preparative meetings have been read a summary of which

with an account we forward to the Quarterly
Meeting by our representatives Rhoda T. Tappan
and H. Wood, also Bradford, and Eliza H. Davis
our esteemed friend. About 15 persons attended
this meeting producing a minute of unity
from Smithfield Monthly Meeting his company
and religious service has been acceptable
to us. The Clerk is directed to unite with the
Clerk of the mens Meeting in signing his
returning minute.

Eliza H. Davis having requested
a removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly
Meeting we appoint Deborah King and Ruth
Wood to prepare one on her account and present
to a future meeting.

The business of the meeting
being accomplished we conclude.

Doicas T. Tucker Clerk

12th Mo 25.62 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
friends held, 12th Mo 25. 1862

The representatives for New Bedford preparatory
Meeting are Anna Davis and Lydia T. Howland
for Long Plain Susan G. Kimpton and Abathia
Davis, present & report on.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting inform
that they attended agreeable to appointment

The friends appointed to prepare a
removal certificate for Eliza H. Davis addressed
to Sandwich Monthly Meeting have presented one
for Eliza H. Davis which has been approved by this and the mens
meeting, and the Clerk is directed to sign it
on behalf of this.

Interesting Epistles from London
and Dublin female Meetings of Women friends
have been read at this time.

We have received an address from
the Representatives Meeting of New York with
a minute attached from the meeting for
Sufferings of N. E. Meeting in relation to
the colored refugees from slavery which has
been read and approved and we appoint

minutes on
vacation

Septhia Ricketson, Sylvia A. Howland, Ann Gifford,
Susan G. Howland, Guilmina Howland, Sarah H.
Anthony, Sarah H. Howland, Betsey Miller, Nancy B.
Dillingham, Alathia Davis, Louisa Cowen, to collect
friends to make use of in promoting the best interests
of this suffering portion of the human family,
friends are earnestly requested to subscribe liberally
in proportion to their means and by so doing
promote the object as therein set forth.

The business of the meeting being
accomplished we conclude
Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk

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All New Bedford Monthly Meeting of
Woman friends held 1st mo 22nd 1863.
The representatives for New Bedford Preparative
Meeting are Sarah M. Howland & Rhoda
T. Gifford, for Long Plain, Ann A. Mac
omber, Mary Ann Wing, all present.

emerald certificate
Lydia B. Tucker

Lydia B. Tucker having received a removal
certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting,
Lydia Congdon and Rhoda T. Gifford are
appointed to prepare one on her behalf and
present to a future meeting. Samuel B. Smith
and Hannah B. Kempton having informed
this meeting of their intention of marriage
with each other, Dorcas F. Tucker is appointed
to take the necessary care in the case and report
to our next Monthly Meeting.

Interesting and acceptable Epistles from New York
and Baltimore Monthly The Yearly Meetings have
been read at this time. The Varns
account of the distribution of the benevolent part
of our late friend Abraham Shearman has been read
and we are united in the reappointment for of the
same friends to serve in that capacity the ensuing
year, namely, Rhoda Taber, Sarah H. Howland,
Ann H. Quaker, Lydia T. Howland, Sarah H. Anthony
with the addition of Anna G. Wood.

no matter on
Shearman
and

The business of the meeting being closed we conclude
Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk

1. The next meeting is with the meeting of Friends
friends, held, 2. The 26, 1863,

The representatives for
abolition preparation meeting are Ann
Ami Howland and Susan G. Kimpton
for Longplain, Phoebe S. D. and Louisa
B. Conner, all present.

The friends appointed
to prepare a removal certificate for
Lydia Blocker have presented one which
is approved by this meeting and having
the unity of the mass meeting, the clerk
directed to sign it on behalf of this.

The friend appointed last month reports
that she finds nothing to present Hannah
B. Kimpton from proceeding in marriage
with Samuel T. Beatty and they having
consent of surviving parents are left at liberty
to solemnize their marriage according to the
good order of our Society. Susan G. Kimpton
and Anna G. Wood are appointed to have
the oversight of said marriage and report
to our next Monthly Meeting. They have
the liberty of the Monthly Meeting to solemnize
their marriage at the residence of her mother
on 7th or 4 day the 4 of 3rd month at 12 o'clock

We are informed through Longplain preparatory
Meeting that Sarah W. Babcock requests a
removal certificate to Bolton Monthly Meeting
on which account we appoint Eliza C. Davis
and Susan G. Kimpton to prepare one on her
behalf and present to a future meeting.

A removal certificate
received from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of
of Thomas Henry Russell and his minor daughter Mary
Susan Tuckwell has been accepted in accordance
with our friends and Susan Howland
certificate and Lydia Longdon are appointed to use
them on the account. The business of the meeting
being accomplished we conclude (it being 11 o'clock)

3rd Mo 1863 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
 3rd Mo 26 1863, The representatives for
 New Bedford preparative Meeting, are Ruth T Wood
 and Ruth Henry, for Long Plain, Betsy G Wood
 and Hannah Bradford, present except one,

The friends appointed to visit Mary Starbuck
 Russell on account of the reception of her certificate
 to this meeting have attended to their appointment

The friends appointed last month to have
 the oversight of the marriage of Samuel T Beatty and
 Hannah B Kimpton report that it was conducted
 in an orderly manner, which is satisfactory to the meeting

The Quires with answers from each
 of our preparative Meeting have been read in this a summary
 compiled therefrom which with an account to the
 Quarterly Meeting we forward by our representatives
 Rhoda H Taber, Rhoda T Gifford, Mary Gifford,
 and Susan G Kimpton,

We are informed through
 New Bedford preparative Meeting that Mary Jane Totter
 has entirely neglected the attendance of our religious
 Meetings and attends those of another denomination
 on which account we appoint Mary Shaw and
 Mary Gifford to visit her and report the result
 to a future Meeting.

The friends appointed to prepare
 a removal certificate for Sarah W Babcock to
 Bolton Monthly Meeting have presented one which
 is approved by this and the Mens Meeting.

A removal certificate for William Davis
 to the same Monthly Meeting has been read and
 approved in concurrence with men friends and
 the clerk is directed to sign them on behalf of
 this Meeting.

A proposition from New Bedford
 preparative Meeting to change the time of holding
 the first day evening Meeting that they may now
 commence the first of Fifth and continue until
 the first of Tenth month, has been united with
 in concurrence with men friends.

The time having expired for which the
 Clerks of this Meeting were appointed.

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Dorcas Tucker is representative Clerk and Anna G
Wood assistant Clerk for the year ensuing or until
another appointment, The business of the Meeting being
accomplished we conclude.

Dorcas Tucker Clerk

4th Mo 23 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held, 4th Mo 23^d 1863.

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative Meeting are Lydia G Howland and
Holly E Howland, for Long Plain Mary Wood
and Susan Trapp all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting
inform that they attended.

We are informed through New Bedford
preparative Meeting that Catherine Bailey now
residing in Lynn has for a long time neglected
the attendance of our religious Meetings and
expressed a decided preference for those of
another denomination on which account we
appoint Sarah H. Anthony and Rhoda H. Yale
to confer with her and report the result at
a future Meeting.

A removal Certificate
of D. Shuman addressed to New York Monthly Meeting for John
Certificate to D. Shuman has been read and approved in
New York concurrence with men friends and the Clerk is
directed to sign it on behalf of this Meeting.

The Committee appointed in 12th month 62
to render assistance to the refugees from Slavery
have presented the following report, which has
been read and is very satisfactory to us, and
we are led to feel that we have in a small
measure been able to render some assistance
to that suffering portion of the human family.

An interesting letter from James Means
of Newburn addressed to New Bedford Monthly
Meeting giving a satisfactory account of the
distribution of articles sent by this Meeting
has been read and is most acceptable.

The time having expired for which the Overseers of this Meeting were appointed, we are united in the reappointment of the same friends for the ensuing year viz. for New Bedford Ann H Dunbar, Ruth Wood, Anna G Wood, and Rhoda Kelley for Longplain Eliza C Davis, Susan G Hampton, and Lydia Dyer. The Meeting also unites in the reappointment of the same ^{three young} friends for Overseers of the year, for New Bedford Sarah Howland, Sophia Ricketson, Loue Hampton and Rhoda T Gifford, Longplain Mary Anne Young, Mary B Bradford, Phoebe S Delano, Abbie Holmes and Susan T Gifford.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude,

Dorcas Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford monthly Meeting of Women friends held 5th Mo 28th 1863

The representatives for New Bedford separate Meeting are Rhoda T Gifford and Ann H Dunbar, for Longplain Abbie Holmes and Elizabeth H Wood all present.

The Clerk being absent Sarah H Anthony is appointed for the day.

Susan B Hampton and Hannah B Beattie having requested removal certificates to Scipio monthly Meeting we appoint Sarah H Anthony and Rhoda T Gifford to prepare one on behalf of each and present to our next monthly Meeting.

A removal certificate from Dartmouth monthly Meeting on behalf of Lydia A Ricketson wife of Benjamin Ricketson has been read & accepted in this and the mens Meeting and Mary Stone is appointed to visit her on the account.

The Committee appointed to confer with Catharine Bailey presented the following report viz.

5th Nov. 1863

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have conferred with
 Catharine Bailey for neglecting the attendance of our
 religious meetings and attending those of another
 denomination. She informed us she had no wish
 to be retained a member of our Society.

Believing further labor from us will not be wise
 we submit the case to the Monthly Meeting.

5th Nov. 27, 1863,

Sarah H. Anthony
 Rhoda H. Taber

The above report is united with by this and
 the mens meeting and she is accordingly disowned
 from membership with us, and Sarah H. Anthony
 is appointed to inform her thereof.

This meeting concurs with the judgment
 of the mens in disowning the right of membership
 to Anne Taber and also unites with a similar
 judgment of that meeting in the case of William
 Eddy.

The committee appointed to visit Mary Jane Taber
 report as follows,

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Mary Jane
 Taber. She expressed much regard and kind feeling
 towards friends; but had a preference for the
 meetings of another denomination, and a decided
 choice to be released from membership with us.

We submit it to the Meeting.

Wm. Shawe
 New Bedford 4th Nov. 22, 1863) Mary Gifford

The above report has been accepted by
 the meeting and having the unity of the mens
 she is disowned from membership with us.
 Anna G. Wood is appointed to inform her
 of the judgment of this meeting.

Transcript of a
 lively and interesting Epistle from Ohio young
 meeting of women friends has been read at this time.

The business of the meeting being finished we
 conclude, Sarah H. Anthony Clerk for the day

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held. 6th 25, 1863

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative meeting are Sarah M. Howland and
Rhoda Kelly, for Longplain Sarah B. Sted. and
Sarah D. King present except one, Sarah H. Anthony

informs that she has attended to her appointment
in the case of Catherine Bailey, and Anna Wood
in the case of Man Jane Taber.

Mary Shaw also informs that she has visited
Lydia A. Rickelton on account of her certificates
being received by this meeting.

Our beloved
friend Sarah Ellen Jones from China Monthly
Meeting State of Maine attended this meeting
presenting a minute of unity from that meeting
her company and religious service have been
acceptable to us.

Our esteemed friends Thomas
Smith from Racine Monthly Meeting Michigan
and Elwood Urban from Saline Monthly
Meeting Iowa attended this meeting producing
satisfactory testimonials from their respective
meetings their company and Gospel labors
have been truly acceptable.

Our esteemed friends
Lemuel P. Clark companion to our friend
Thomas Smith and Nathan Bond companion
to Elwood Urban attended this meeting presenting
acceptable minutes from their respective meetings
their company and solid deportment have been
acceptable to friends.

The Clerk is authorized
to unite with the Clerk of the mens meeting
in furnishing the above named friends with
minutes and sign them on behalf of this meeting.

The queries with answers to the 1st, 2nd and 10th
from each of our preparative meetings have
been read a summary compiled from the
answers which with an account we forward

Feb 25 1863 To the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives
 Sylvia S. Howland, Phoebe S. Dolan, Betsey S.
 Good Nancy B. Dillingham and Lydia Longdon

The friends appointed to prepare removal
 certificates to Scipio Monthly Meeting on behalf
 of Susan B. Kempton and Hannah B. Beattie
 have presented the following, which has been
 approved by this and the Mens Meeting and
 the Clerk is directed to sign them on behalf of this

This Meeting unites in judgment
 with our friends in retaining Henry S. Shearn
 in membership with us.

The business of the
 Meeting being finished we conclude

Dorcas S. Tucker Clerk

7th 1863 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
 friends held 7th Mo 23 1863

The representatives
 for New Bedford preparative Meeting are

The representatives for New Bedford
 preparative meeting are Ruth S. Broad and Hannah
 Boodle, for Long Plain Alathia Davis and
 Susan S. Gifford, all present.

Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting inform
 that they attended.

We are informed through
 Long Plain preparative Meeting that Elizabeth
 S. Bond (late King) has married out of the
 order of our Society with one not in membership
 with us. On which account we appoint
 Sarah H. Anthony and Rachel S. Howland to
 visit her and report to a future Meeting.

A removal certificate from Lydia
 Removal Monthly Meeting State of Maine, on behalf of
 certificate for Samma Gifford has been received by this and the
 Samma Gifford Mens Meeting, and Mary Gifford is appointed to
 visit her on the account. A united report of the
 Committee having charge of the Boarding School has
 been read and approved.

The business of the meeting being closed, we conclude
Dorcas F Tucker Clerk

Nov 1863 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held Sat Nov 27, 1863

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative meeting are Deborah Shearman and
Lydia W. Howland, for Long Plain Luke T. Lane,
and Elizabeth H. Wood, all present.

Mary Gifford
informs that she has attended to her appointment in the
case of Tamaa Gifford.

The London general Epistle of 1862 has been read
to the edification and comfort.

This meeting unites in judgment with men
friends in retaining Henry D. Smith a member of our
religious Society.

The business of
the meeting being closed we conclude,
Dorcas F Tucker Clerk

Nov 1863 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 9th Month 24th 1863,

The representatives for
New Bedford preparative meeting are Ruth T
Wood and Anna Davis, for Long Plain Mary B
Bradford and Betsy Hillier. Friends expressing

The queries with answers to the
first second and tenth from our preparative
meetings have been ^{read} a summary collected from
the answers which with the account are forwarded
to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives
Rhoda T Gifford, Susan G Hampton, Betsy P
Wood, Mary B Bradford, and Gideon W. Hillier.

A removal certificate from Rhode Island
Monthly Meeting on behalf of Hannah H. H.
H. H. has been accepted by this and the mens meeting
and Betsy P Wood is appointed to visit her
on the account.

14th Mo 1863 The Committee appointed in 7th month last to visit Elizabeth W Pond, late being on account of her deviation in marriage have presented the following report accompanied with her acknowledgements, &c.

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to our appointment we have visited Elizabeth W Pond on account of her deviation in marriage. We found her quite willing to make to membership such satisfaction to friends as the discipline requires; and very desirous of retaining her right of membership in the Society. She also expressed her intention of attending our meetings as ~~often~~ as her apprehended duty to her husband would admit of; and of sometimes bringing him with her.

All of which we submit to the Monthly Meeting,
 Sarah H Anthony
 Rachel S Howland

New Bedford 9th Mo 23, 1863

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting Friends
 I hereby acknowledge I have deviated from the order of Friends but feeling a strong attachment for the Society desire them still to retain me in membership with them. Thoughtless & vain may be such as to prevent at all times my attending their meetings.

Elizabeth W Pond

New Bedford 9th month 23 1863,

Which report and acknowledgments have been accepted by this meeting and it is the consensus of to retain her a member of our religious Society. Men friends concerning them, and Deccas & Tucker is requested to give her the information.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland laid before this meeting a prospect she had of attending in Gospel love the yearly Meeting of Baltimore and to visit such of the meetings and families constituting it as may open for in the South.

The Subject having claimed the serious consideration of friends, was fully united with and she encouraged to pursue her prospect as best wisdom may direct being a minister in unity with us.

Our beloved friends William C. Taber and his wife Rhoda H. Taber informed friends that they felt willing to accompany their wife Susan Howland on her religious visit to Baltimore Yearly Meeting and such other service that she may feel herself called to perform, as set forth in her certificate, after a time of deliberation their prospect was fully united with and they left at liberty to proceed therein she being an Elder and she a minister in good esteem. The Clerk is authorized to unite with the Clerk of the Mens Meeting in furnishing the above named friends with minutes conformable to the above, and sign them on behalf of this Meeting. The business of the Meeting being closed we concluded

Wm C. Taber Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held, 10th Month 22nd 1863.

The representatives for New Bedford prepared for the meeting are Mary Ann Howland and Rhoda Kelly for Long Plain Betsy Gilwood and Hannah Briggs all present.

The representatives to the quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeably to appointment.

Dorcas E. Tucker reports that she has informed Elizabeth W. Pond of the decision of this Meeting in her case.

This Meeting unites with the mens in retaining Nathan B. Howland, in membership with us having married out of the order of our Society with one not a member.

Interesting and lively Epistles from London and Dublin Yearly Meetings have been read at this time. The business of the meeting being accomplished we concluded

Dorcas E. Tucker Clerk

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to New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held, 11th Nov. 26 1865.

The representatives for
New Bedford preparative meeting are as follows
Deborah Taber and Gulielma W. Howland
for Long Plain Martha Davis and Tamar
Gifford all present.

The queries with
answers to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, have been read
from each of our monthly meetings a summary
compiled therefrom which with an account
are to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by
our representatives Ruth S. Wood, Mary Gifford,
Eliza C. Davis and Phebe S. Delano.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland
Howland returned at this time the minute furnished
relating minister in 1st month last accompanied with us
from Baltimore minute from Baltimore Yearly Meeting held
by adjournments from the 19th to the 23rd of
1st month 1865, certifying that her company
and Gospel labors had been acceptable to
them which with the account she gave of her
visit was satisfactory to the meeting.

Our beloved friends William C. and Rhoda
H. Taber returned the minute granted them
by this meeting to accompany our friend Susan
Howland on her late religious visit to Baltimore
yearly meeting; they also presented a minute
from that meeting expressing their company
having been acceptable to friends.

The business of the meeting being closed
we conclude.

Simeon F. Tucker Clerk

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 12th Month 24, 1863;

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative Meeting are Ruth Almy, and Ann H.
Dunbar, for Long Plain Souse B. Cowen and Hannah
Hall, present except one.

Representatives to the
Quarterly Meeting informed they attended except
one.

An interesting Epistle from New York Yearly
Meeting of Women friends has been read at this
time.

The business of the meeting
being finished we conclude,

Abigail H. Tucker Clerk

in mass
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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
friends held 1st Month 28, 1864

The representatives
for New Bedford preparative Meeting are
Eliza C. Howland, and Ruth Almy, for Long Plain
in Sarah B. Slade, and Fanny W. Dillingham
all present except one who was prevented
from attending by indisposition.

The annual report of the committee having
the care of the distribution of the benevolent
fund of our late friend Abram Shearman
has been read, and we reappoint the same
committee to serve in that capacity the ensuing
year viz. Rhoda H. Yater, Martha S. Herlihy,
Ann H. Dunbar, Lydia J. Howland, Sarah H. Anthony,
and Anna G. Wood.

A memorial Certificate on behalf of
Prince A. Mack's addressed to New York Monthly
Meeting has been united with in concurrence with
our New Bedford friends.

An interesting Epistle from Baltimore
Yearly Meeting has been read at this time.

The business of the meeting being
accomplished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood, assistant Clerk.

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The representatives for New Bedford preparation Meeting are Rhoda Kelly and Sarah M. Howland for Long Plain Phoebe S. Howland and Abathia Davis present except one who was prevented from attending by indisposition.

We are informed through New Bedford preparation Meeting that Almira Sisson wife of David Sisson having requested for himself and minor children Mrs. Joseph Sand. Sarah Sisson to be admitted into membership with us we appoint Rachel S. Howland, Dorcas F. Tucker, and Anna G. Wood to unite with a committee of men friends in visiting them on the account and report the result thereof at a future meeting.

E. Fannie Sisson daughter of Almira Sisson having requested to be received into membership with us, Rachel S. Howland, Dorcas F. Tucker, and Anna G. Wood are appointed to visit her and report when ready.

A communication has been received at this time from the Meeting for Sufferings in relation to increasing the price of board and tuition of Scholars who may enter the boarding School at Providence.

An interesting report from the committee appointed in 19th Mo. 1863, to collect means for the benefit of the freed people has been read and is acceptable to the Meeting.

This Meeting concurs in judgment with the men in disowning the right of membership of F. A. A. M.

This Meeting unites in judgment with men friends in receiving Aaron W. H. into membership with us. The business of the Meeting being closed we conclude, Dorcas F. Tucker the

F. A. M. disowned
A. W. H. received

1864 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
 3rd Mo 24th held on Mo 24th 1864.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Sophia Rickson and Lydia J Howland for Long Plain Hannah Bradford and Sarah B Stoddard all present.

The queries with answers from each of our preparative meetings have been read a summary compiled therefore which with an account was forward to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives Sarah H Anthony, Mary Gifford, Eliza Hilder, and Rhoda T Gifford.

An interesting report from Long Plain preparative meeting giving information of the amount of articles sent to the poor people has been read.

The time having expired for which the clerk of this meeting were appointed George H Tucker is reappointed clerk and Anna G Wood assistant clerk for the year ensuing & until another appointment.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

George H Tucker Clerk

4th Mo 25th 1864 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 4th Mo 25th 1864.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Thelma H. Shearman, and Deborah Fisher for Long Plain Mary Ann May, and Susan G. Thompson, present except one who was prevented from attending from indisposition.

We are informed through New Bedford preparative meeting that Mary T Bonnet has requested to be received into membership. Eliza H. Hilder, Sarah H. Anthony, and Anna G. Wood are appointed to visit her and report at a future meeting.

1864 The committee appointed in 2^d month last to visit Almira Sisson wife of David Sisson in account of her request for admission for herself and children into membership with us presented the following report &c.

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed on account of the request of Almira Sisson wife of David Sisson, for herself and their two minor children, Joseph and Sarah Sisson to be admitted into membership with our religious Society, report, that they have visited the family to good satisfaction. Being convinced of the sincerity of the request and that it was made from a sense of duty we are united in believing that it will be safe to receive them into membership.

For the Committee

New Bedford
4th Mo 28. 1864

William Gifford
Dorcas A. Tucker

The above report is satisfactory to us and having the consent of Dartmouth Monthly Meeting and the concurrence of our friends they are received as members of our religious Society and Rhoda T. Gifford is appointed to inform them thereof.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

We are informed that your meeting is about to receive Almira Sisson into membership with which we unite, she formally being a member of and disowned by this meeting for marrying out.

Taken from the minutes of Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4th Mo 27. 1864.

Isaac W. Potter
Maire B. Smith
Clerks

The Committee appointed to visit to Fannie Tisson
presented the following report:

In the monthly meeting
we have visited to Fannie Tisson on account of her
request to be admitted into membership with us to
good satisfaction. We believe she is sincere in
the request, and think it well to hope to receive
her

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford 4th Mo. 1864

Dea. C. S. Tucker
Anna G. Wood

Which is united with and she received into mem-
bership with us having the wish of the new meeting,
Anna and Anna G. Wood is appointed to give her
the information.

We unite with our
friends in retaining Thomas C. Howland a
member of our religious Society.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland informed
this meeting that she had felt for several
months past that it was required of her to
attend the ensuing quarterly meetings of Rhode
Island, and Smithfield, and to attend the
meetings and visit families constituting them
as may may open for, after a time of delinea-
tion her prospect was fully united with
and she set at liberty to attend them as
best wisdom may direct being a minister
in unity.

Our beloved friend Lydia Congdon
having expressed a willingness to accompany her
sister Susan Howland in her proposed religious
visit in Rhode Island and Smithfield
quarterly meetings. Her prospect was fully
united with and she set at liberty to
pursue the same being an Elder in good
union with us. The Clerk is directed
to unite with the Clerk of the new meeting.

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in furnishing them with minutes embracing the above and sign them on behalf of this meeting.

The time having expired for which the Treasurer and Business of the year of this meeting were appointed Sarah H. Anthony, Doctas F. Tucker, Hannah Trisler, Rhoda H. Taber, and Betsy P. Wood are appointed to select such friends as appear to be suitable for those services and propose to our next Monthly Meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
 (Doctas F. Tucker Clerk)

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held, 5th Mo 26, 1864.

The representatives for New Bedford proposed to meeting are Lydia F. Thomas and Rhoda F. Trisler in company with William and Elizabeth F. Wood, all present.

Rhoda F. Trisler and Anna G. Wood inform they have attended to their appointments in the case of Thomas and E. F. Thomas.

The committee appointed last month to visit Mrs. F. Bennett on her request to be admitted into membership have made the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting

According to our appointment we have visited Mrs. F. Bennett on account of her application to be received into membership with our religious Society, the interview was very satisfactory, and we believe that her request proceeded from a sense of duty. We are united in judgment that it will be right to grant her request which we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

5th Mo 26, 1864, On behalf of Sarah H. Anthony
 the committee Rhoda H. Taber

1864 Which is united with by this meeting and having
the members of men joining them. The is in a
into membership with us and Lydia T Howard
is appointed to give her the information.

Removal Certificates from Dartmouth Monthly
Meeting on behalf of Sam. Eastman wife of James
Eastman. See August 1st. Sarah and Sarah H. Eastman
certificates have been accepted by this and the men meeting
certificates and Ruth T Wood and Rhoda H. Tabor are
appointed to visit them on the account.

The committee appointed to select such friends
as they might judge suitable to serve as Overseers of
this meeting report they are united in proposing

Sam. H. Barber, Ruth T Wood, Anna T. Wood and
E. W. S. Tucker for New Bedford Preparative
Meeting, Eliza C. Davis, Lydia C. Dexter, Rhoda T
Belano, and Mary B. Bradford for Longplain

For Overseers of the poor Sarah
Hewland, Sophia Richardson, Rhoda T. Gifford
and Melinda H. Howard for New Bedford.
Mary Ann Hane, Susan T. Trapp, Betsy H. H.
Tucker, G. Kempton, and Nancy B. Willingham
for Longplain preparative meeting.

Which being united with they are appointed
to those services for the year ensuing or until
another appointment.

The business of the meeting being
finished we conclude,

Dorcas T. Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
friends held 6th Mo. 2^d B. 1864.

The representatives for
New Bedford preparative meeting are Rhoda
Holly and Ruth T Wood, for Longplain
Susan T. Brown, and Eliza B. Smith, present
except one.

Lydia T. Howard informs she
has attended to her appointment in the case
of Mary T. Bennett.

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The friends appointed last month to visit
 Mrs. Carbury her daughter Caroline and Sarah
 H. Frost on account of the reception of their
 removal certificate report they have performed
 the service.

Our beloved friend Sarah Ann Sinton attended
 this meeting with a minute of unity from
 Center Monthly Meeting endorsed by Center
 Quarterly Meeting Ohio, expressive of unity
 with her as a minister and her present religi-
 ous engagements, her company and religious
 services have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved
 friend Lucinda Hadley companion to our friend
 Sarah Ann Sinton attended this meeting with
 a minute of unity from Smithfield Monthly
 Meeting Ohio her company and solid deport-
 ment have been acceptable.

Our beloved friends John and
 David from Monaca Monthly Meeting New York
 and James Jones from China Monthly Meeting
 State of Maine, attended this meeting presenting
 satisfactory testimonials from their respective
 meetings. Their company and religious labors
 have been acceptable to us.

We have also the
 acceptable company of Mary Jane and
 companion to her husband Brother and
 with a minute from Monaca Monthly Meeting
 expressing unity with her as an Elder and her
 present engagements.

The Clerk is directed to unite
 with the Clerk of the mens meeting in furnishing
 the above named friends with minutes
 and sign them on behalf of this meeting.

This meeting unites with our
 friends in retaining Frances S. Skine in
 acknowledged membership with us he having married
 with in a solemn manner of our Society.

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The Treas with answers to the 1st, 2nd, and 10th
from each of our preparative meetings. A sum-
mary is this summary compiled from the
answers which with an account is to be for-
warded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting to our
representatives Mrs. T. Wood, P. Wood, F.
Lucas, Betsy P. Wood, and Susan P. Wood.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished
we conclude.

Dorcas F. Lucas (Treas.)

to Bedford. Monthly Meeting of Women
held, 7th Mo., 28th 1864.

The representatives for
New Bedford preparative Meeting are
Mary Carling and Ruth Army for Long Plain
Sarah B. Wade and Phoebe J. Delane present except
one.

The representatives to the
Quarterly Meeting report that they attended agreeably
to appointment.

We are informed through Long Plain preparative
Meeting that A. Sabah Cannon has requested to be
received into membership, on which account we
appoint Betsy P. Wood, Mary Gifford and
Susan G. Kempton to visit her and report
when ready.

We have received and read the
report of the Committee having charge of the
yearly Meeting Boarding School.

We have
received and read a communication addressed
to the Monthly Meetings comprising New England
yearly Meeting, issued by the Committee appoin-
ted at our Past Yearly Meeting to aid the Freed
Men, a kind interest was manifested by
friends to relieve and assist that suffering
portion of the human family which is interesting
to us. We refer the address to the Committee of
this Meeting now under appointment upon the
subject, and appoint Mary B. Bradford.

8th Mo 1864 Susan S. Trapp, Mary Ann Trine, Abigail H. Ingham, Susan Yale, Debra H. Tucker, Abigail T. Trine, Anna G. Wood, Lydia Congdon, Betty C. Houghton, and Hannah H. Howland to write with the committee appointed in 12th month 1862, to carry out as far as possible the object therein set forth.

The business of the meeting being closed we conclude,

Debra H. Tucker Clerk

The New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held, 25th of 8th Month 1864,

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Thelma H. Allen and Sarah M. Howland, for Long Plain Anne H. Macomber, and Elizabeth H. Wood all present.

The committee appointed last month to visit Azubah Cannon on her request to be admitted into membership with us have presented the following report.

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment we have visited Azubah Cannon on account of her request to be received into membership with us and of a degree of satisfaction, we believe her to be a genuine sinner in her request, and that it will be unwise to receive her into membership.

New Bedford 8th Mo 25th 1864

Betty S. Wood,
Susan G. Houghton,
Mary Gifford

The above report is accepted by this meeting and having the concurrence of the deacons there she is received into membership with us and Eliza C. Davis is appointed to inform her thereof.

The London general Epistle of 1863 has been read at this time and has been truly acceptable and edifying to us,

1864 The business of the meeting being finished we
conclude,
Dreas & Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends
held, 9th Mo 22. 1864

The representation of
New Bedford preparative meeting, Messrs. A. H. H. and
Mary T. Bond for Congregationalists, John A. Stone
and Sarah H. King, all present.

Our beloved friends Elizabeth L. Limstock from
Bellingham monthly meeting, Michigan and Mary A.
Peckham from New Bedford Monthly Meeting
State of New York attended this meeting produ-
cing satisfactory certificates from their respective
monthly meetings expressing unity with them
as ministers and their present religious engage-
ments their company and religious labors
have been acceptable and satisfactory to us.
The Clerk is left at liberty to sign returning
minutes for the above named friends on behalf
of this meeting

Our beloved friend Ebenezer Peckham
an Elder companion to his wife Mary A. Peckham
attended this meeting with a minute from
the same meeting his company has been acceptable

The Clerk is authorized to unite with the
Clerk of the mens meeting in furnishing him with
a returning minute conformable to the above

A removal certificate addressed to Sandwich
Monthly Meeting on behalf of Daniel Davis has
been approved in concurrence with the mens
meeting.

A removal certificate from the
monthly meeting on behalf of Maria L.
Anthony has been accepted in concurrence with
the mens meeting and Sarah H. Anthony is
appointed to visit her on the account.

The Treasuries with answers to the
1st and 10th from each of our preparative

4th Mo 1869 Meetings have been read a summary compiled therefrom which with an account of the forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by Joseph Lloyd, Helly & Hontland, Hannah Tupper, and Susan G. Hempton whose are appointed our representatives.

Our beloved friend Susan G. Hempton informed this Meeting, that she felt willing to accompany our friend Elizabeth Gifford of Sandwich Monthly Meeting on her religious visit within the limits of Smithfield and Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting, after a time of deliberation her prospects were considered with and she left at liberty to attend thereto.

We also unite with men friends in liberating Joseph Hempton an Elder for the same reason. The Clerk is left at liberty to unite with the Clerk of the Snows Meeting in furnishing them with the minute and sign them on behalf of this Meeting.

Our beloved friend Susan Hontland returned at this time the minute furnished her by this Meeting in 4th Month last to perform religious service as therein expressed and informed friends that she had performed the service for which she was then liberated to the Peace of her own mind.

She produced returning minutes from Smithfield and Rhode Island Monthly and Quarterly Meetings expressive of her company and religious labors having been acceptable to them which is satisfactory to the Meeting.

Our beloved friend Lydia Longdon Companion to her Sister Susan Hontland returned the minute furnished her in 4th Month last with a minute from Smithfield.

Quarterly Meeting and one from Providence Monthly Meeting certifying that her company had been acceptable to them.

Our beloved friend Harriet L. Handcock returned at this time the minute granted her in 11th Month 1861, to perform religious service as therein expressed, and informed friends, that she had in fact performed the service for which she was then liberated, which was satisfactory to the meeting. But apprehending there was further service for her in visiting Prisons, Schools, Hospitals, and to officiate at a few meetings without the limits of our Quarterly Meeting. The meeting was united in furnishing her with a minute, comprising the above, and the Clerk is left at liberty to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude

Dorcas H. Tucker Clerk

11th Mo. 1864. The New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 10th Month 27th 1864

The representatives for New Bedford for parative meeting are Ruth Almy and Hepsa T. Therman, for Longplain Sarah B. Stacks, and Betsy Strood, present except one.

Sarah H. Anthony informs that she has attended to her appointment in visiting Maria L. Anthony.

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they attended agreeable to appointment.

Interesting letters from London and Dublin yearly meeting of Women friends have been acceptably read at this time.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude

Dorcas H. Tucker Clerk

11th Mo 1864 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
Friends held 11th Month 24th 1864.

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative meeting are Ruth P Wood and
Elizabeth Taber, for Longplain Susan G Hempton
and Lydia Ricketson. all present.

The queries with answers to the first second
and tenth from each of our preparative
meetings have been read in this a summary of
which with an account to the quarterly meeting
are to be forwarded thence by our representatives
Sarah H Anthony, Betsy P Wood, Ruth P Wood,
and Phebe J Delano.

Our esteemed friends
Joseph Hempton and his wife Susan G Hempton
returned to this meeting the minutes furnished
them in ninth month last to accompany our
friend Elizabeth Gifford of Sandwich meeting
on her religious visit within the limits of
Smithfield and Westport and quarterly meetings
they presented returning minutes from Rhode Island
quarterly meeting held at Somerset, and from
Smithfield and Mansu monthly meetings
certifying that their company had been accept-
able to friends of those meetings which with
the account given by her was satisfactory.

Transcript of an Epistle from New York Yearly
Meeting of Women friends has been read.

An interesting report from the
Executive Committee appointed by the Yearly
Meetings committee on behalf of the freed
people has been read.

The business of the meeting being
finished we conclude

David W Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
12th Month 22nd 1864.

The representatives for New Bedford,
preparative meeting are Lydia Russell, and Ruth Strong
for Longpointe Eliza C. Davis and Susan L. Tripp all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly
meeting report they attended agreeable to appointment.
Interesting and acceptable Epistles from
Baltimore and North Carolina yearly meetings of women
friends have been read at this time.

A removal
certificate of the certificate from Oswego Monthly Meeting held at
Longpointe State of New York, on behalf of Robert Earl
and his wife Ann Maria Earl has been accepted in
concurrence with men friends, and Rhoda H. Taber
is appointed to visit her on the account.

The business
of the meeting being closed we conclude,
Dorcas & Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 1st Month 26th 1865.

The representatives for New
Bedford preparative meeting are Ann H. Dunbar and
Mary O. Bennett, for Longpointe Alathia Davis and
Lydia Ricketson, all present.

Rhoda H. Taber
informs that she has visited Ann Maria Earl on
account of the reception of her certificate to this
meeting.

Epistles from Ohio and Indiana yearly
meetings of women friends have been read and
were acceptable to us.

A removal certificate from
New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of William G.
Merry's wife Hannah and their minor children
Mary Elizabeth and William George, has been
accepted in concurrence with men friends and Sarah
H. Anthony is appointed to visit her.

The annual
account of the distribution of the benevolent fund
of our late friend Abner Thumanpe has been read.

1st Mo 1865 and the committee now under appointment are,
Rhoda H. Yaker, Rachel S. Howland, Ann H. Hubbard,
Lydia S. Howland, Sarah H. Anthony, and Anna
G. Wood, are reappointed for the ensuing year.

By a change of the territorial line between
New Bedford and Dartmouth Monthly Meetings
the following persons viz, Nathaniel Little, Cynthia
Willcox, Hannah Anthony, Alice Tucker, and Hannah
Davis, have been set off from Dartmouth Monthly
Meeting and are now members of this meeting,
The business of the meeting being
accomplished we conclude,

Deoas B. Tucker Clerk.

2nd Mo 1865 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held
2nd Mo 1865 2.3rd 1865

The representatives for New Bedford preparative
meeting are Lydia S. Howland and Sarah Wing
for Longpointe Mary Ann Wing and Betsy Hitter
present except two for the absence of one satisfactory
reason was assigned.

Sarah H. Anthony informs
that she has attended to her appointment in the case
of Hannah S. Wing.

J. Macomber retained The concern with men friends in
retaining John H. Macomber in membership having
expired out of the order of our Society.

A proposition
Changing the place from New Bedford preparative meeting to change the
time of holding our meeting on First day afternoon to the
4th hour commencing the first of third month and so
continue until the first of Eleventh month the remainder
of the year at three o'clock, which has been approved
by this and the Men's Meeting.

Susan Howland
and Lydia Longdon are appointed to visit those friends
set off by Dartmouth Monthly Meeting and joined to this
Meeting. The business of the meeting
being closed we conclude.

Deoas B. Tucker Clerk

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, Feb. 3rd Mar. 2.3rd 1866.

Our representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Abigail S. Clifford and Sophia Richeson for Captain Hannah Bradford, and Sarah B. Stude, all present.

The friends appointed to visit those persons usually named to this monthly meeting report that they have attended there.

We are informed through New Bedford preparative meeting that Caroline Chase late Eastbury has received one of the orders of our Society with the not a member, on which account we appoint Anne G. Wood and Robert S. Henshaw to visit her and report the results of their ^{labors} to a future meeting.

A removal certificate from Haverhill Monthly Meeting on behalf of Elizabeth Brown Wood has been accepted in concurrence with our friends, and Susan S. Thompson is appointed to visit her.

Our meeting unites with the others in welcoming Benjamin Frankice Howland in membership with us.

The Queries with answers from each of our preparative meetings have been read in this and a summary compiled from the answers which with an account to the Quarterly Meeting are to be forwarded there by our representatives Sarah H. Anthony, Sylvia S. Howland, Ruth S. Wood and Eliza C. Davis.

The time having expired for which the checks of this meeting were appointed Sarah H. Anthony, Abigail S. Clifford, Susan S. Thompson and Julia Anna S. Howland are appointed to select two friends for the queries and report to our next monthly meeting.

The business of the meeting being closed we conclude.

Lucas S. Tucker Clerk,

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The New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends.
held 4th month 27th 1865.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Mary T. Bennett and Rhoda T. Gifford, for Long Plain Thebe B. Olano and Ann A. Macomber all present

The committee appointed upon the subject of Clarke report that they are united in proposing the reappointment of Deccas F. Tucker and Anna G. Hood for the service, which was united with and they are appointed for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

Susan G. Hampton informs that she has performed the service for which she was appointed respecting Elizabeth Brown Wood,

The representatives to the Yearly Meeting report that they attended agreeable to appointment.

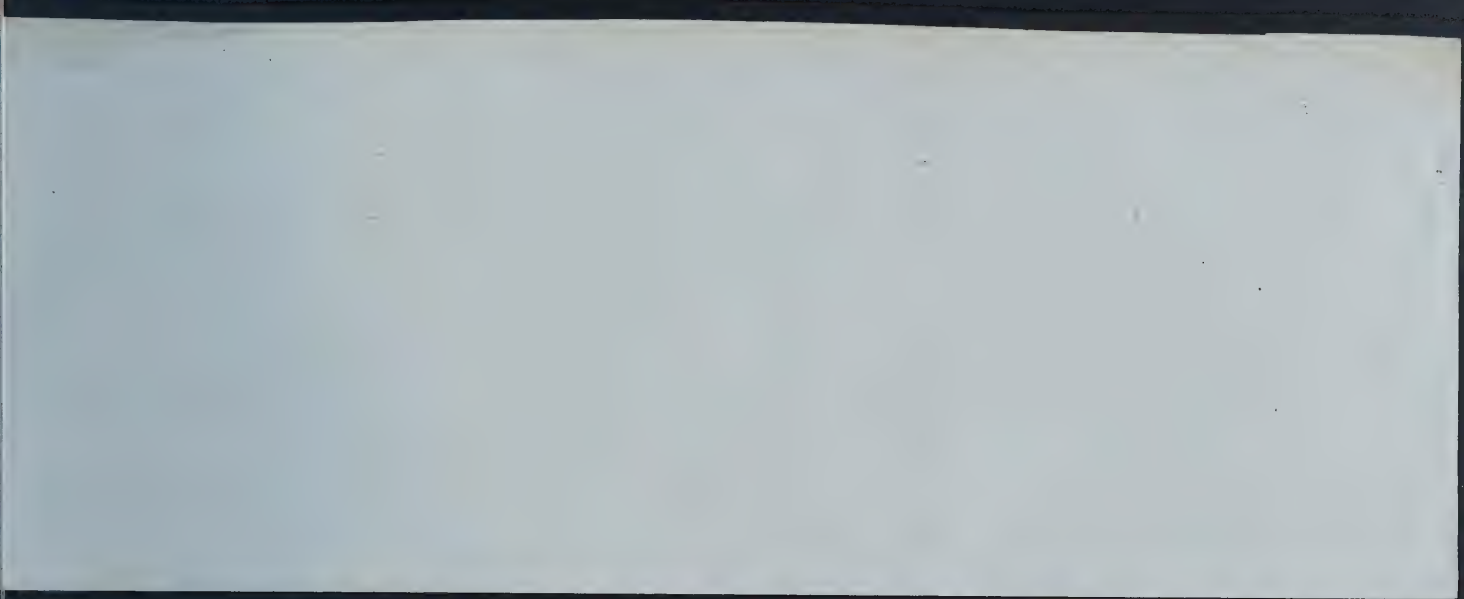
A removal

Certificate from Westport Monthly Meeting on behalf of Jonathan T. Gifford and his wife Elizabeth T. Gifford has been accepted in concurrence with men friends and Sarah H. Anthony is appointed to visit her on the account.

The committee appointed to visit Caroline Chan late Carling on account of her deviation in marriage presented the following report viz. which is accepted by this and the mens meeting and she is accordingly reinstated in membership with us and Rhoda T. Gifford is appointed to give her the information.

This meeting unites in judgment with the mens in depriving Joseph T. Gifford his right of membership.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland in a mighty manner informed this meeting that she had for some months past believed it would be required of her in Gospel Lane to attend the evening prayer meeting of her flock and to attend to her service within the limits of New York Monthly.



The most interesting

part of an appointment in her college or tower. She
has been, because of her devotion in many years, first
be attached to the Society of Friends, and desirous of obtaining her
membership. She also expressed her intention of attending
in person. What is the result of the month's study.

18th Nov. 1845

Wm. T. Wood

Wm. T. Wood

the 1st 1868, making unity even claiming the solid consideration of
 no meeting was fully united with and she set at liberty
 to proceed thence as best wisdom may direct being a minister
 in unity with us.

Our beloved friends William C. Taber
 and his wife Rhoda H. Taber informed friends that they
 believed it would be right for them to accompany our dear
 friend Susan Howland on her proposed religious visit to
 New York yearly meeting, which was fully united with and
 they left at liberty to attend thence being members in good
 esteem and he an Elder and she a minister in unity.

The clerk is left at liberty to unite with the clerk of the
 mens meeting in furnishing the above named friends with
 a copy of this minute.

The time having expired for which
 appointed the members and overseers of the flock of this meeting were
 appointed the meeting is united in the reappointment of
 the same friends who served last year for the year ensuing
 or until another appointment.

The business of the meeting
 being finished we conclude.

Deccas P. Tucker Clerk

29th 1868
 Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 5th Mo

The representatives for New Bedford preparative
 meeting are, Ruth Stone and Maria Kelly to represent
 Maria Miller and Sarah D. King two of the representatives
 were prevented from attending by indisposition.

Sarah H. Anthony
 informs that she has visited Elizabeth S. Gifford
 on account of the reception of her certificate to this
 meeting.

Rhoda S. Gifford also reports that she
 has informed Caroline C. Chase of the judgment of this
 meeting.

We receive with our friends in relation
 Isaac Howland in membership having moved out
 of the order of our Society with one not a member.

The business of the meeting being closed we conclude

Deccas P. Tucker Clerk

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Oct. 14 1865 The Bedford Monthly Meeting and the Friends
held at North 22nd and 1865

The Representatives for the
Bedford preparative Meeting are Hetty E. Howland and
Nath. Strood, for Longplain Louisa B. Brown and
Mary Ann Briggs all present.

Our beloved friends Caroline E. Talbot from Smith
field monthly and Short Creek Quarterly Meeting
Ohio, Sarah E. Varney from China Monthly Meeting
State of Maine and Jane Jones from the same
Monthly Meeting have been with us at this time
producing satisfactory certificates from their respec-
tive meetings their company and religious labors
have been truly acceptable.

Our beloved friends William Haughton from
Raysville Monthly Meeting and Spiceland Monthly
Meeting Indiana, Edward M. Dorland from
Lipic Monthly and Quarterly Meeting New York attended
this meeting presenting satisfactory testimonials from
their respective meetings their company and religious
labors have been acceptable and edifying to us.

Our beloved friends Ruth Birns from Short
Creek Monthly Meeting Companion to our friend
Caroline E. Talbot, Charles Hubbard from Rays-
ville Monthly Meeting Companion to William
Haughton and William R. Taker a minister
from Lipic Monthly Meeting Companion to our
friend Edward M. Dorland attended this ^{meeting} with
minutes of unity from their monthly meetings
their company and solid deportment have been sat-
isfactory.

The Clerk is left at liberty to sign retiring
minutes for the above named friends on behalf of
this meeting.

The Journals with answers to the 1st 2nd
and 10th from each of our preparative meetings have
been read a Summary compiled therefrom which with
an account are to be forwarded to the ensuing
Quarterly Meeting by our friends Sarah M. Anthony
Anna Strood, Ruth Strood, Bessy G. Strood and

May Ann Wing whom we appoint our representatives
The business of the meeting
being accomplished we conclude.

Dorcas F Tucker Clerk

Notes: At Sun Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held Feb 27,
1865

The representatives for Sun Bedford Preparative Meeting
are Wm E Howland and Hannah T Wing for Longplain
Sarah T Wing and Hannah Bradford present except one
who was prevented by sickness.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting inform
that they attended.

This meeting unites in judgment with the
men in receiving Joseph Grinnell into membership with us.

We have received the minutes of our last year's
meeting comprising the report of the committee having
charge of the boarding school which is satisfactory and
we appoint Sarah M Howland, Sylvia G Howland,
Niche Howland, Mary Ann Wing, Mary Wood, Elizabeth
G Wood, and Betsey Heller to distribute them among
our members and to read such portions of them as may
be desirable with Transcripts of Epistles from neigh-
bouring year's meetings to such of our members as
may be prevented by age or infirmity from mingling
with us.

The business of the meeting being closed, we
conclude.

Dorcas F Tucker Clerk,

Notes: At Sun Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
Feb Month 29. 1865.

The representatives for Sun Bedford
preparative meeting are Hannah Beach and Wm E
Howland, for Longplain Elizabeth M Wood, and
Sarah B Wade present except one who was prevented
from attending by indisposition. Robert M Jones
Mary Anna Talbot having informed this meeting of their
intentions of marrying with each other "Gladness M"

1865, Nov. 10. *Homeland*, and *Sydia Longdon*, are appointed to take the morning care in the care and report to our next monthly meeting. Our beloved friend *Reverend Walter Wright* attended this meeting, producing satisfactory certificates from *Chautauk Monthly Meeting* endorsed by *Fairfield Quarterly Meeting* which expressing unity with him, as a minister and his personal religious engagements, his company and Gospel labors have been acceptable and edifying.

Interesting and salutary Epistles from our Sisters of *London* and *Dublin* yearly meetings of former friends have been read at this time.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Deccas & Tucker Clerk

Nov. 15. *New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women* friends held 9th, month 2. 1865.

The representatives for *New Bedford* preparative meeting are *Sophia Ricketson*, and *Selena Lake* for *Song plan*, *Phoebe Delano*, and *Nancy B. Dillingham*, present except one for whose absence a suitable reason was assigned.

The names with answers to the 1st, 2nd and 10th from each of our preparative meetings have been read a summary compiled from the answers which with an account we forward to the *Quarterly Meeting* by our representatives *Hannah String*, *Walter D. Wood*, *Deccas & Tucker*, and *Charlotte H. Wood*.

Our beloved friend *Abigail M. Hanson* attended this meeting producing a minute of unity from *Seabrook* monthly meeting her company and religious services have been acceptable to us. We have also the acceptable company of our friend *Thomas Holson* companion to his sister *Abigail M. Hanson* with a minute of unity from *Seabrook* monthly meeting which is satisfactory. The clerk is left at liberty to unite with the clerk of the mens meeting in conducting the same and our friends with minutes expression of the sense of this meeting.

Jan 1. 65. Robert H. Smith and Mary Anna Fisher having presented to our last monthly meeting a written declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage, and they appearing, clearing of all others and having consent of parents, are allowed to accomplish their marriage according to the order of our Society. At the request of the parties a meeting is appointed to be held at the house of our friend William C. Fisher on third day, tenth month third, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon for the accomplishment of their said marriage. We appoint Rachel M. Howard and Dorcas H. Tucker to have the marriage thereof and report to our next monthly meeting.

A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Elizabeth W. Haswell has been accepted in consensus with men friends, and Eliza C. Davis is appointed to visit her on the account.

We unite with men friends in accepting a removal certificate for Joseph C. Smith.

A communication from London yearly meeting to friends in America has been read containing much sympathy and excellent counsel which has been acceptable.

A report from the committee of Education has been read and is satisfactory.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Dorcas H. Tucker Clerk

Nov 15. 65. To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women friends held 10th, month 26th, 1865.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Hannah Bradle and Mary B. Bennet for Long Plains Susan C. Hainfield and Louisa B. Brown all present.

The Clerk of this meeting being absent Anne G. Wood is appointed Clerk and Sarah M. Hartman assistant Clerk for the day. The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended according to appointment. An interesting Epistle from Baltimore Yearly Meeting has been read.

11th Mo 1865 which is acceptable to us;

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude,

Anna G Wood Clerk for the day

at New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held 11th Month 23d 1865.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Lydia T. Howland and Sophia Ricketson for Long Plain Sarah B. Slade and Lydia Ricketson, who are all present.

The friends appointed in ninth month to attend the marriage of Robert M. Harris and Mary Anna Taber report that they attended to their appointment and it was conducted in an orderly and satisfactory manner.

The Minutes with answers to the three usually considered from each of our preparative Meetings have been read in this and a Summary compiled therefrom which with our account to the Yearly Meeting we forward by our representatives, Ann H. Sturges, Sarah H. Anthony, Betsy G. Wood, and Susan G. Hempton.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned at this time the minute furnished her by this Meeting in 4th Month last accompanied with a minute from the Meeting of Ministers and Elders of New York Yearly Meeting and from New York Monthly Meeting, expressing of her company and Gospel labors having been acceptable to friends of those meetings, which with the interesting account she gave of her visit is satisfactory.

Our beloved friends William C. Taber and his wife Rhoda H. Taber returned the minute furnished them to accompany our friend Susan Howland on her late religious

Nov. 4. 1865, visit to New York Yearly Meeting, they presented returning minutes from the Meeting of Ministers & Elders of New York Yearly Meeting and from New York Monthly Meeting certifying that their Company had been acceptable.

Our beloved friend Rachel S. Howland returned the minute furnished her by this Meeting relating minute in 9th Month 1864, to perform religious service as therein expressed, and informed that she had attended to a part of the service which she believed herself called to. The account she gave of her visit to Washington in Boston and in our own neighborhood was truly interesting and satisfactory.

Our beloved friend Rachel S. Howland informed this Meeting that she believed it would be right for her to lay before her friends a prospect of religious service of visiting Schools, Prisons, Hospitals, and if may should open for it in the future to appoint one, two, or more meetings out of this Quarterly Meeting, which claiming the serious consideration of this Meeting was fully and feelingly united with her and she set at liberty, to attend should being a minister in union, and good esteem with us.

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute and sign it on behalf of the Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being closed we conclude.

Docas S. Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends, held 12th Month 2. 1865.

The representatives for New Bedford Quaker Meeting in Hannah H. Howland and Emma Chase for Longfellow's Hannah Hall and Susan S. Tupper all present. The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting agree that they attended agreeable to appointments.

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Annual Conference addressed to Hingham
monthly meeting for the Western district on behalf
of Dorcas the Hingham has been united with in
conjunction with the same meeting and the Clerk
is directed to sign it on behalf of this.

Interesting and Salutory Epistles
from South Carolina and Ohio Yearly Meetings
of Women friends have been read.

The business of
the meeting being finished we conclude

Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
friends held on Decr. 25. 1866.

The representatives
for New Bedford preparative meeting are Rhoda Ann
Hoff and Lucia Place for Long Plain Abner
Wasswell and Sarah B. Stode some of whom were
present.

Our beloved friend Thomas B. Nichols attended
this meeting with a minute of unity from his
abridged monthly meeting his company and
religious services have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Rachel B. Nichols
companion to her husband Thomas B. Nichols attended
this meeting with a satisfactory minute from
Lassaborough Monthly Meeting her company and
exemplary deportment have been satisfactory.

The Clerk is left at liberty to sign returning
minutes to the above named friends on behalf of
this meeting.

Epistles from Indiana and Toronto
yearly meetings of Women friends have been read
and were interesting and satisfactory.

Hannah F.

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This meeting closes with the judgment
of the same in determining the right of membership
to members of the Hingham.

The business of the meeting
being accomplished we conclude

Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 3rd Month 22 1866

The representatives for
New Bedford preparative meeting are Ruth May
and Rhoda T. Gifford for Longplain Phoebe Gifford
and Phoebe T. Delano, present except one for whose
absence satisfactory reasons were given,

We have again the acceptable company
of our beloved friend Robert Walter Douglas, whose
certificate was read in eighth month last and has
again been read at this time, his Gospel labors have
been truly edifying and instructive to us

The business of the meeting being
closed we conclude

Dorcas F. Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
held 3rd Month 22 1866,

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative meeting are Hipsa H. Shearman, and
Sophia Ricketson for Longplain Elizabeth H. Wood
and Louisa B. Cronin, present except one,

The Clerk of this meeting
being absent Sarah H. Anthony is appointed to that
service for the day

The Minutes were read in this
meeting with answers from each of our preparative
meetings a summary of which was approved and with
an account to the Quarterly Meeting are to be forwarded
thence by our representatives, Sarah H. Anthony,
Julietta H. Howland Phoebe T. Delano, and Susan T.
Hampton,

A request from Abby H. Haswell for
the admission of her four minor children into mem-
bership with our religious society, viz. Mary E.
Stephen T. Emma H., and Sylvia H. Haswell having
been received through our preparative meeting
Susan T. Hampton and Eliza C. Davis are appointed

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to unite with a committee of the mens meeting in visiting the family on the account and report to future meeting.

A removal certificate was presented by meeting on behalf of Susan Howland has been accepted in concurrence with the mens meeting. Rachel S Howland and Anne G Brood are appointed to visit her on the account.

This meeting unites with the judgment of the mens in disowning the right of membership of George M Eddy Jr.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland informed this meeting that she had for a considerable length of time apprehended it to be required of her to attend the Quarterly meetings constituting our yearly meeting as may may open in the Truth. Which concern claiming the solid consideration of this meeting was fully united with and she left at liberty to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct she being a minister in unity with us.

Our beloved friends William P Taber and his wife Rhoda H Taber informed this meeting that they believed it right for them to accompany their sister Susan Howland in her proposed religious visit to all the Quarterly meeting within the limits of our yearly meeting which was fully united with and they were left at liberty to attend thereto, she being an Elder in good esteem and she a minister in unity with us. The Clerk were directed to furnish the above named friends with minutes conformable to those made on their behalf.

The interesting testimony respecting our dear deceased friend Beatha Davis has been read and much sentiment expressed thereon in this and the mens meeting. The Clerk were directed to sign and forward it to the ensuing Quarterly meeting.

A request has been received from friends of Fair Haven meeting through Long Plains Preparative meeting that

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The first sat afternoon meeting may be discontinued
we unite with our friends in granting the request

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Sarah H. Anthony Clerk for the day.

New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
4th Month 26 1866

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative meeting are Lydia H. Hurlbut and Mary C. Boyle
for Longplain Betsy Miller and Lydia Pickerson, all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly
Meeting report that they attended.

The friends
appointed to visit Mary P. Noye inform that they have
attended to their appointment.

We unite with our
restorative friends in the restoration of Joshua B. Brownson to
of membership.

The committee appointed last month
on the request of Abby K. Haswell for the admission of
her 4 minor children into membership presented the
following report viz.

At the monthly meeting

Agreeable to
admission of appointment we have visited Abby K. Haswell and
her children to a good degree of satisfaction and think
it may be safe to receive them as members of our society.
membership agreeable to her request.

On behalf of the Committee Richard Davis
Susan G. Kempton

New Bedford 4th Month 26 1866

This meeting accepts the foregoing report in consensus
with the men, and they are accordingly received as
members of our religious society, and Mary Ann King
is appointed to give them the information.

Mananna Thins

Mananna having requested a removal certificate to New York Monthly
meeting Sarah H. Anthony and Susan G. Kempton are
appointed to prepare one on her behalf and present
to our next Monthly Meeting.

1866 The time having expired for which the clerk of this meeting was appointed Dorcas Tucker is reappointed clerk and Anna G Wood assistant clerk for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude,
Dorcas Tucker Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
Sept month 24 1866

The representatives for New Bedford preparative meeting are Sophia Nickerson and Sarah M. Thomas
all present.

Has informed Abby H. Haswell of the judgment of this meeting.

The friends united to receive a new tract sent addressed to Joseph K. Haswell, Secretary of Maryland & Friends have provided for it and has been approved by this and the mens meeting and the clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this

This meeting united in judgment with the mens in restoring to Membership William H. and George Howland, they being the first to take part in the late war.

The time having expired for which the clerk of this meeting was appointed Dorcas Tucker is reappointed clerk and Anna G Wood assistant clerk for the year ensuing or until another appointment. This meeting is united in the reappointment of the friends who served last year with the exception of Mary B Bradford who at her own request was removed. The time having also expired for which the clerk of the mens meeting was appointed the same friends are reappointed who served last year for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

The annual report of the Committee appointed to aid the colored Freed people has been read and is satisfactory.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Dorcas Tucker Clerk

At the meeting held on the 14th inst. the following business was transacted.

The report of the Committee on the petition of the Friends of the American Missionary Society, for the establishment of a school at the Cape of Good Hope, was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

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1866 To know

We are informed through Longfellow
meeting that Mary T. Glass has been
united herself in marriage with one not in mem-
bership on which account - She and Elizabeth
and Betty T. Wood are appointed to visit
and report when ready.

and his wife Elizabeth
Having requested a mutual certificate addressed
to Salem Monthly Meeting Deccas T. Tucker and
Hannah T. Howland are appointed to visit
the couple and to prepare a certificate
of their union for the Salem Monthly Meeting.

The business of the meeting being completed
we conclude,

Deccas T. Tucker Clerk

At the Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
Sabbath 7th March 1866

The representatives for the
Salem Monthly Meeting are
Elizabeth Howland for Longfellow
and Elisabeth T. Wood, all present.

The representatives for the
meeting report that they all attended except one who
was prevented from attending by indisposition.

The annual report of the committee
having charge of our yearly meeting has
been read and is satisfactory.

A mutual certificate
of James Woodruff addressed to Salem Monthly Meeting
has been approved by this and the
Also one for John T. Glass addressed to
Monthly Meeting. The latter is directed to sign the
on behalf of this meeting.

The friends of the
Salem Monthly Meeting have
submitted the following report, which has been
this and the Mens Meeting Meeting has been
restored to membership and a
appointed to give the information.

The ladies have been the recipients of the
 following letters from the friends of the cause
 in London, Dublin, &c. The letters from
 London, Dublin, &c. have been read and
 the addition of Ruth Anna Davis's
 name has been made to distribute the minutes of our
 last meeting among our members and to read
 the minutes with transcripts of Epistles from high
 churches to sister of our members being
 read and being with us in a meeting
 spirit.

8th Bedford Month Meeting of Women friends
 8th, month 23rd, 1866.

The representatives for the
 Bedford Preparative Meeting are Lydia J. Howland
 Louisa Chace, for Longplain Chet. J. Nelson
 Susan J. Hampton, all present.

Lydia Howland informs that she has been
 appointed in the case of Mary J. Glass.

Information given from the
 Bedford Preparative Meeting endorsed by Allen
 Monthly Meeting Ohio his company and Gospel
 have been acceptable.

Information and Salutory Epistles from London
 Dublin yearly meetings of women friends
 have been read.

Attest
 8th Bedford

1866, 2nd. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends, 1st
Feb. month Feb 1866.

The representatives for New Bedford
preparative meeting are Lydia Ricketson and Sarah
Montland for Longplain Hannah Peabody
and Betsy Heller, all present.

The queries have been
read with answers to the first three, and some from each
of our preparative meetings in Scituate con-
temporaneous, which with an account are to be presented
to the quarterly meeting by our representatives
Lydia Congdon, Lydia G. Montland, Hannah Ricket-
son and Mary Gifford.

This meeting united in
the mass in resolving since 1st Feb.
to withdraw from membership, having married out of the order of our
Society with no notice of membership, the meeting also
with full friends in discussion. It
was decided to sign of the meeting.

An interesting report from the Committee on Education
has been read and approved and a committee
appointed to investigate the same. The committee
consisting with the addition of Ruth D. Reed, Lydia
G. Montland, Phoebe T. Gifford, Mary B. D. Reed and
Rebecca C. Grinnell to unite with a committee on
the same to endeavor in procuring information for
the increase of first day schools.

A report from the Executive
Committee appointed by our year meeting in 1865 has
been read and approved.

The business of the meeting being accomplished
we conclude.

Amos P. Tucker Clerk

requested for their presence) the following were
 and Mary J. Montague to be admitted into particu-
 lar Sarah H. Anthony and Rachel J. Montague
 are appointed to visit them on the account
 report the result thereof at a future meeting.

This meeting united with the meeting
 of the 1st of March 1866.
 The business of the night
 finished we conclude,
 Dorcas T. Tucker Clerk

At this Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
 held on March 21st 1866.
 The present business
 and Bedford preparative meetings are,
 and Ruth J. Wood for singing, Jane B. B.
 and Lydia Hackettson, present except
 meeting inform that they attended.

Our beloved friend David Dudley also was
 and this meeting producing a satisfactory result
 from Attitash Monthly Meeting. The report of
 his company and Gospel labors was read and
 the meeting companion's report was read and
 with a minute of unity from the previous monthly
 meeting his company has been accepted.

The clerk is left at 10 o'clock with the
 records with the committee to the care of
 guides with the records to the care of the
 above and sign the minutes of the meeting.

A request from Alcom
 for the admission of the
 daughters Alice H. and

12 m 30 after deliberate consideration and moving in
 from the great reduction in the number of its members
 and the age and infirmity of most of those remaining
 in the Island, have come to the conclusion
 recommending that it be discontinued, and
 that the Society be arranged to send Bee-
 ches to the meeting with which the Select
 meeting were united many years since,

The Committee would also recommend
 properties now belonging to the Society
 the understanding that it be applied to
 and its
 members, and whatever expense shall be
 for the members of that meeting beyond 17
 belonging to them the same by the meeting
 be deemed it advisable
 meeting continue its care by a committee
 transfer and to see that the books are kept
 meeting in the custody of the
 meeting and to which that meeting
 apply for advice in case anything should
 make such application necessary.

Yours Bedford

15th May 1866

The business of the meeting being finished

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New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends held
 Decr Mo 28 1867.

The representatives for New Bedford preparative
 meeting are Lucy Kimpton and Rhoda T Gifford
 for Longplain Phoebe Gifford and Nancy B Dillingham
 all present.

The Clerk of the meeting
 being absent Anna G Wood is appointed Clerk
 and Sarah M Howland assistant for the day.

J G Kimpton reports that she has attended
 to her appointment in the case of Rebekah A Gifford.

Rachel T Howland informs on behalf of the
 Committee that they have also attended to their
 appointment in the case of Sarah A Holmes.

The Committee appointed to visit
 Bessie L Taber late Dillingham on account of her
 deviation in marriage have presented the following
 report.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting
 Dear friends, Agreeably to appointment we
 Bessie L Taber have visited Bessie L Taber late Dillingham on
 account of her deviation in marriage.

She manifested a regard for the Society of Friends and
 expressed a desire to be retained a member in which
 we believe her sincere. Which report is accepted
 by this meeting and she is accordingly retained in
 membership with us men friends uniting their ~~and~~
 and Mary Ann Tring is appointed to inform her thereof.

This meeting unites with Men Friends in retain-
 ing Rowland Smith in membership with us he
 Smith retain having been engaged in warfare contrary to our
 testimony.

Having received information through New Bedford
 preparative meeting that Mary T Porter late Gifford
 has named out of the order of our Society with one
 not a member, Rachel T Howland and Anna G
 Wood are appointed to visit her on the account
 and report to a future meeting.

This meeting unites in judgment with the
 men, in restoring to membership Thomas Akin
 he having named contrary to our Discipline.

1867 Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned at this
 3rd month time a minute granted her in 3rd Mo 1866 to attend
 all the Quarterly Meetings constituting this yearly meet-
 ing accompanied with satisfactory testimonials from
 the Quarterly Meetings of Rhode Island, Dover, Salem
 Falmouth, Fairfield and Passaboro, she informed
 that the services had been accomplished to the peace
 of her own mind.

Our beloved friends William
 C and his wife Rhoda H Yaker returned the minute
 furnished them by this meeting in 3rd Mo 1866 to accompan-
 y our friend Susan Howland on her late religious
 visit to the Quarterly Meeting Constituting New England
 yearly meeting, they have presented satisfactory returning
 minutes from the above named meetings expressing
 of their company having been acceptable to Friends of
 those meetings all of which is satisfactory.

Abram R Wing having requested a removal cer-
 tificate for himself and wife Mary J Wing and
 certificates their children Mary Ann Wing and Samuel,
 we appoint Rhoda H Yaker and Anna G Wood
 to unite with a committee of men friends to take
 the necessary care in the case and report at a future
 meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished
 we conclude, Anna G Wood Clerk for the day.

1867 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends
 held, 3rd Mo 28, 1867.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative
 Meeting are Mary W Bennett and Ruth Almy for
 Longplain Sarah B Glade and Louisa Chase
 all present. Mary Ann Wing informs
 that she has attended to her appointment in the
 case of Bessie L Yaker.

The Queries with answers
 thereto from our Preparative Meetings have been read
 in this and a Summary collected from the answers
 for the Quarterly Meeting which with an

account are to be forwarded by our friends Rhoda H. Taber, Rachel J. Howland, Eliza C. Davis and Betsy O'Wood who are appointed our representatives.

The Committee appointed to prepare a removal Certificate addressed to Chicago Monthly Meeting on behalf of Abram R. Wing his wife Mary J. and their children Mary Ann and Samuel Wing has been approved by this and the mens meeting and the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this.

We have at this time received from men friends the following minute from Nantucket Monthly Meeting made by them but Mo 10th 1867 when that meeting was discontinued which is to be placed on our records.

Nantucket Monthly Meeting of men and women friends held jointly and by adjournments but Mo 10th 1867.

Friends met agreeable to adjournment. The following minute of our last Quarterly Meeting together with the report of the Committee appointed to consider the request made by this meeting in 10th Mo last, was received and read, it is acceptable to us, and in accordance therewith, we hereby transfer to New Bedford Monthly Meeting the Superintendence of all the property belonging to this Monthly Meeting, consisting as follows,

Our Meeting house and land on Centre St. Our interest in a building called the friends Asylum on Main St, Our share in the Old South Wharf. \$ four hundred and forty four ⁸³/₁₀₀ dollars deposited in the Nantucket for Savings by the Treasurer of this meeting and a balance in his hands of ⁷³/₁₀₀ dollars,

Together with all other claims and demands of whatever description and wherever situated.

Our Clerk is directed to deliver our records & papers to the Clerk of New Bedford Monthly Meeting and furnish that meeting with a list of our members as far as can be ascertained. With this minute is closed the existence of

3. Dec. 1867 Nantucket Monthly Meeting which commenced under the Ministry of Thomas Stow about the year 1704. Through the influence of Divine grace abundantly vouchsafed to the inhabitants of this Island it increased until its membership included a large portion of our Citizens, but by the Operation of adverse Circumstances and a dividing Spirit it is reduced to a mere handful.

Extracted from the minutes of Nantucket Monthly Meeting of Men and Women friends held jointly and by adjournment 13th Mo 27th, 1866 and 1st Mo 10th 1867
Matthew Barney Clerk,

The time having expired for which the Clerks of Selection of this meeting were appointed Rachel T Howland
Clerks Mary Gifford Sarah H Anthony, and Sylvia T Howland are appointed to make a selection of friends for that service and propose to our next monthly meeting.

The business of the meeting being closed
We conclude

Dorcas T Tucker Clerk

4mo. 1867. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11mo. 25th 1867

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth S. Word & Mary V. Bennett, for Long Plain Anna A. Macomber & Hannah Hall all present.

The time having expired for which the Clerks of this Meeting were appointed & our friend Dorcas T. Tucker having served the meeting very acceptably for many years, and requesting to be released, Mary Gifford on behalf of the committee proposed the name of Anna C. Word for clerk, & Sarah W. Howland for assistant clerk which being acceptable to the Meeting they are appointed to those services respectively for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended except one, who was prevented.

by sickness in her family.

The committee appointed to visit Mary D. Porter on account of her deviation in marriage, have presented the following report which has been accepted by this & the Men's Meeting & she is retained in membership with us & Anna G. Wood is appointed to give her the information.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

5mo 1867 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 5mo 23d - 1867.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Dorcas F. Tucker & Thelie H. Allen for Long Plain Elizabeth H. Wood & Tamar Gifford all present.

Anna G. Wood reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Mary D. Porter.

We are informed through Long Plain Preparative Meeting that Sarah Louisa Macomber (late Stoddard) has united herself in marriage with one not in membership with us & we appoint Eliza C. Davis & Lydia Rieckelsson to visit her on the account and report to a future Meeting.

Our friend Thelie Bunker formerly of Nantucket having for a long period resided within the limits of Uxbridge Monthly Meeting, we appoint our friends Rebecca C. Guinnell & Sarah M. Howland to prepare a certificate on her behalf & present to our next Monthly Meeting.

The time having expired for which the overseers & overseers of the poor of this Meeting were appointed & the subject claiming the consideration of this Meeting, the friends who have served the past year are reappointed to that service, with the addition of Lydia Swain from Nantucket. The Clerk is requested to inform her of the appointment.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

6mo. 1867 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 6mo. 27-1867.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ann H. Dunbar & Eulielma W. Howland, for Long Plain, Mary Ann Wing & Hannah Bradford all present.

The Clerk of the Meeting being absent Sarah H. Anthony is appointed clerk for the day.

Our beloved friend Sarah F. Smiley from Cedar Creek Monthly Meeting Virginia, Abigail B. Kelley from Greenwich Monthly Meeting Ohio, Robert W. Douglass from Clear Creek Monthly Meeting Ohio, & Daniel Mc. Pherson of Gilead Monthly Meeting Wisconsin—attended this meeting, each presenting satisfactory testimonials from their respective meetings, expressive of unity with their ministry & present religious engagements, their company & gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Margaret H. White, companion to Sarah F. Smiley has also been with us at this time, with a minute of concurrence from Baltimore Monthly Meeting, her company & solid deportment have been satisfactory to us. The Clerk is at liberty to write with the Clerk of the Men's Meeting in furnishing the above named friends with minutes conformable to those made on their behalf.

A request from Sarah Antone to be admitted into membership with us, having been received through New Bedford Preparative Meeting, we appoint Lydia Congdon & Sarah H. Anthony to visit her on the account & report to a future meeting.

J. Harper We unite with Men Friends in receiving James
received Harper into membership with us.

A removal certificate addressed to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of William W. Cifford has been approved in concurrence with the removed Men's Meeting & the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this.

Our beloved friend Anna C. Wood an elder in good esteem with us, feeling a willingness to accompany our dear friend Elizabeth Meade in her proposed religious visit to Canada yearly

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Meeting, this Meeting fully united them with the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Men's Meeting, in furnishing her with a copy of this Minute.

The friends appointed to visit Sarah Louisa Macomber on account of her deviation in marriage made the following report viz. To the Monthly Meeting. Agreeable to our appointment we have had an interview with Sarah Louisa Macomber she expressed she should like to be retained a member, if friends could feel it right. We have no doubt of her sincerity. which report is accepted by this & the Men's Meeting & she is accordingly retained in membership with us, Susan G. Hempton is requested to give her the information.

The Committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate to Wobridge Monthly Meeting on behalf of Phoebe Bunkus, have presented one which is approved by this & the Men's Meeting, & the Clerk is directed to sign it on our behalf.

This Meeting is informed that Anna G. Wood has attended to her appointment respecting Lydia Swain.

The Queries with answers to the First, Second & Third from each of our Preparative Meetings have been read, & a summary compiled from the answers, which with an account to the Quarterly Meeting are to be forwarded thence by our representatives friends Lydia Congdon, Sarah H. Anthony, Betsey G. Wood & Mary Baylies whom we appoint our representatives.

Rhoda H. Taber, Rebecca C. Gunnell, Sylvia G. Howland, Hannah S. Wing, Sarah Jane Taber, Gulielma W. Howland, Rachel S. Howland, Susan Howland, Mary Baylies & Catharine Howland, are appointed to unite with a committee of Men friends, to take into consideration the expediency of extending an invitation to teachers of First day Schools to meet in convention at New Bedford.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude. Sarah H. Anthony

Clerk for the day.

June 1867 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 7mo - 25th. 1867.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Gulielma W. Howland & Sophia Rickerson, for Long plain Sarah B. Slade & Elizabeth H. Wood all present.

Susan G. Kempton informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Sarah H. Macomber.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended with the exception of one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was given.

A removal certificate on behalf of Joseph T. J. Shuman Shuman addressed to Philadelphia Monthly certificate Meeting has been accepted in concurrence with men Friends.

Our friend Anna G. Wood returned at this time the Minute granted her last month to accompany our friend Elizabeth Meader in her proposed visit to Canada Yearly Meeting. She has also presented a returning Minute from that Meeting which has been read and is satisfactory to us.

The Report of the Boarding School has been read at this time & is acceptable to us.

We appoint our friends Ann H. Dunbar, Sylvia C. Howland, Susan Taber, Mary Baylies, Mary Kempton, Mary Wood & Eliza C. Davis to distribute the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting among our Members, and to read portions of them with transcripts of Epistles from neighboring Yearly Meetings to such of our Friends as may be prevented from mingling with us in a meeting capacity.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood.

Clerk.

8th mo 1867 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 8th mo. 22nd. 1867.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rhoda T. Gifford and Sophia Rickelton, for Long Plain Louisa B. Brown & Sarah E. Young. Present with two exceptions, for the absence of one a satisfactory reason was given.

Our beloved friend William Jenkins, attended this meeting with a satisfactory minute from Alliance Monthly Meeting, Ohio, his company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

The committee appointed by New Friends to communicate with those individuals whose names are recorded as members of Nantucket Monthly Meeting have had some correspondence with two of them viz. Mary Allen and Mary Ann Albutson, and now having referred the subject to this Meeting, we appoint our friends Rhoda H. Taber & Ruth I. Wood to attend them & report to a future Meeting.

An interesting Epistle from our dear Sisters of London Yearly Meeting has been read & is acceptable to us.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Annex G. Wood - Clerk.

9mo. 67. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 9mo. 26- 1867.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Mary V. Bennett, and Ann H. Dunbar, for Long Plain, Betsey G. Wood and Phebe Gifford, all present.

The committee appointed to visit Sarah Antone on account of her request to become a member of our Society have presented the following report viz. To the Monthly Meeting We have attended to our appointment in the case of Sarah Antone & believe her to be

gmo. by. Service in her request to be admitted a member of our Religious Society, and are united in believing that it will be safe to receive her as such, but submit it to the judgment of the Meeting. Signed Lydia Longdon Sarah H. Anthony S. Antone which has been accepted by this & the Mens second Meeting, & she is accordingly received into membership with us, & Rachel S. Howland is appointed to give her this information.

The name of Rachel S. Howland has been added to the committee having the care of the cases of Mary Allen & Mary Ann Albutson.

We have received from the Mens Meeting a report from the Committee appointed by that Meeting in relation to certain reported members of the late Nantucket Monthly Meeting, viz. Lydia Marshall jr. Lydia G. Spencer, Eliza K. Mitchell, Ann Barney & Hebrabah C. Barney, and we appoint our friends Rebecca C. Grinnell & Anna G. Wood to communicate with these individuals in regard to their right of membership & report to a future Meeting.

The committee on the subject of education have presented the following report - which is acceptable to us & the same committee is reappointed to that service for the ensuing year with the addition of Susan Taber, Susan S. Tripp & Lydia Bickston.

The Queries with answers to the first, second, and tenth from each of our Preparative Meetings have been read in this, and a summary compiled from the answers which is to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives Sylvia G. Howland, Ruth S. Wood, Rebecca C. Grinnell & Susan G. Kempton.

We unite with New Friends in changing the time of holding our afternoon Meetings on First day from four to three o' clock, commencing next month.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood
Clerk.

12 mo 24. 67 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 10 mo 24th. 1867.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rhoda T. Gifford & Guilford W. Howland, for Long plain Eliza C. Davis and Nancy B. Dillingham - all present.

Rachel S. Howland informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Sarah Antone.

We are informed that Kezia H. Shearman and her daughter Mary Eliza Shearman request a removal certificate addressed to Philadelphia Monthly Meeting for the Western District. We are also informed through New Bedford Preparative Meeting, that Alice D. Shearman is desirous of being released from Membership with us. We appoint our Friends Lydia Congdon, Sylvia G. Howland & Sarah H. Anthony to prepare a removal certificate on behalf of the first named individuals & present to our next Monthly Meeting. The case of Alice D. Shearman is referred to the same committee, & they are requested to communicate with her and report to a future meeting.

A report to the Mens Meeting from their committee under appointment relative to reported members of Nantucket Monthly Meeting, has been sent to us respecting the following named individuals, reported to be members viz. Catharine Austin, Elizabeth F. Gardner, Martha Hussey, Mary Coleman, Lucretia Cantoright, Elizabeth Gardner, Elizabeth M. Gardner, Phoebe Macy, Mary Swain, Ann Eliza Woods, Melinda Barney, Amelia M. Ballender, & Mary Folger. The case of the above named persons is referred to the committee now under appointment in similar cases viz. Rhoda H. Taber, Ruth S. Wood, Rachel S. Howland, Rebecca C. Grinnell & Anna G. Wood, with the addition of Sarah H. Anthony and Susan Taber, who are requested to communicate with them respecting their reported right of membership and report to a future meeting.

10mo-67. The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended except one, who was prevented by indisposition.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood clerk.

11mo. 1867. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 11th mo. 28th-1867.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sophia Ricketson & Ruth Almy, for Long Plain Ann A Macomber & Eliza C. Davis, — all present.

The Queries with answers to the First, Second & Third from each of our Preparative Meetings have been read in this, and a Summary compiled from the answers, which is to be forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting by our representatives viz. Betty E. Howland, Rhoda T. Gifford, Lydia Ricketson, Mary Gifford & Eliza C. Davis,

Certificate The Committee appointed last month to prepare a H. Shearman removal certificate on behalf of Hepsa H. Shearman addressed to Philadelphia Mo. Meeting for the Western District, have produced one at this time, Do. for which is approved with the concurrence of the Men's M. E. Shearman Meeting, & the Clerk is directed to sign it on our behalf.

The Committee also presented a certificate of removal to the same Meeting on behalf of Mary Eliza Shearman, which is also approved by this & the Men's Meeting.

We unite with Men Friends in releasing Edward Mitchell from membership with us.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood

Clerk.

12 mo 1867. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women's Friends held 12 mo. 26 - 1867.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth Almy & Lydia T. Howland, for Long Plain Mary Ann Wing & Mary S. Wood all present.

We are informed that the representatives to the late Quarterly Meeting all attended.

We are informed through New Bedford Preparative Meeting that James T. Almy & his wife Mary Ann Almy have requested to become members of our religious Society; we therefore appoint our friends Lydia Congdon & Rachel S. Howland to unite with a committee from the Men's Meetings to visit them on the account & report to a future Meeting.

E. M. Marshall. We unite with Men Friends in the dis-
B. B. Hassard owned of Edward M. Marshall & Barker B.
disowned. Marshall.

A removal certificate on behalf of Peter G. Hassard addressed to Philadelphia Mo. Meeting of Friends for the Western District has been accepted in concurrence with Men Friends.

Lively & interesting epistles from our dear Sisters of Dublin & New York Yearly Meetings have been acceptably read at this time.

Near the close of this Meeting, at the request of a Friend the shutters were raised, by which the Men's & Women's Meeting were united, when the Friend informed the Meeting that she felt desirous that the action of the Mo. Meeting a number of years since in the case of George Hussey by which he was disowned might now in the spirit of love be reviewed, & if way opened for it in the minds of Friends that he might be restored to membership.

In a feeling of much sympathy with him & his family it was concluded with great unanimity to restore him to membership, & Joseph Grinnell, Rebecca C. Grinnell &

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Rachel S. Howland was appointed to inform
George Hussey & his family of the action of the
Meeting in his behalf.

The business of the Meeting being finished
we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

1mo. 1868 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
Friends held 1mo. 23- 1868.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative
Meeting are Sarah M. Howland & Ann H.
Dunbar, for Long Plain Sylvia D. Weeks and
Rebekah Gifford - all present.

A removal certificate from Westport Monthly
R. A. Church Meeting addressed to this on behalf of our
Certificate friend Rebecca A. Church has been accepted
in concurrence with the Men's Meeting and
Aboda H. Taber is appointed to visit her
on the account.

Interesting Epistles from our dear Sisters of
New York & North Carolina Yearly Meetings
have been acceptably read at this time.

The joint committee appointed last month
to visit James T. Alamy & his wife Mary Ann
Alamy on account of their request to be
admitted into membership, have made the
following report viz.

To New Bedford Mo. Meeting of Friends.
The joint committee in the case of James T.
Alamy & his wife Mary Ann Alamy have visited
them upon the subject of their request to be
admitted into membership. They appear sincere
in this request & in their attachment to the
principles of Truth as professed by our Religious
Society. We recommend that they be
received into membership.

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Henry T. Wood
Lydia Congdon
Rachel S. Howland
William S. Howland.

Nov 1868 which is satisfactory to this Meeting, and
we unite with the judgment of New Friends
J. T. Almy in receiving them as members of our Society,
M. C. Almy and Dorcas F. Tucker is appointed to give
received. them the information.

The committee appointed to unite with a
similar committee from the New's Meeting,
to visit the family of George Hussey & inform
them of his destination to membership, report
that they have attended to their appointment,
and that the interview was an interesting
and satisfactory one.

The business of the Meeting being finished
we conclude.

Anna G. Wood. Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women friends,
held 2nd mo. 27th 1868.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting
are Rhoda T. Gifford and Sarah Jane Taber; for Long-
Plain Ann M. Macomber and Susan S. Tripp, all pres-
ent.

Rhoda H. Taber informs that she has visited
Rebecca A. Church on account of the reception of her cer-
tificate to this meeting.

Dorcas F. Tucker reports
that she has attended to her appointment in the case
of James T. Almy and wife.

A removal certifi-
cate has been requested for Mary T. Porter, addressed to
New York Monthly Meeting, and our friends Sarah H.
Anthony, Dorcas F. Tucker and Rachel S. Howland are
appointed to prepare one on her behalf, and present to
a future meeting.

We are informed through Long Plain Preparative Meeting
that Patience S. Davis, late Delano, has married out of the
order of our Society with out membership. We
appoint our friends Lydia Ricketson, and Betsy G. Wood
to visit her on that account, and report to a future meet-
ing.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Dorcas F. Tucker - Clerk for the day.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held
3rd month 26, 1868.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Deborah Taber, and Hettie E Howland. For Long-plain Phibe T Delano and Hannah Bradford, all present. In the absence of the Clerk Dorcas F Tucker is appointed for the day.

The Queries with answers thereto from each of our Preparative Meetings, have been read in this, and a summary collected from the answers of the Quarterly Meeting, which with an account are to be forwarded by our representatives, Sophia Ricketson, Sylvia G Howland, Gulielma W Howland, and Elizabeth H Wood.

The friends appointed to prepare a removal certificate for Mary J Porter, addressed to New York Monthly Meeting, have presented one, which has been approved by this, and the mens' meeting, and the clerk is directed to sign it on our behalf. A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of William W Allen has been approved in concurrence with men friends.

A removal certificate from Westport Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Anna P Gifford and Hannah P Gifford, has been approved in concurrence with men friends, and Susan Howland, Mary V. Bennett, and Sarah H Anthony, are appointed to visit them on that account.

The business of the meeting being accomplished, we conclude

Dorcas F Tucker - Clerk for the day.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held 4th month 23rd 1868.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rhoda T Gifford and Sarah Jane Taber. For Longplain, Sarah B Slade, and Asenath Cannon, present excepting one.

In the absence of the Clerk Dorcas F Tucker was appointed for the day.

The friends appointed to visit Anna P, and Hannah P Gifford on account of the reception of their certificate to this meeting, informed that they have attended to their

appointed. The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended.

The committee appointed to visit Patience J Davis on account of her deviation in marriage, have presented the following report, which is accepted by this Meeting, having the concurrence of men friends herein. She is accordingly reinstated in membership with us, and Hannah Tripp is appointed to inform her.

The business of the meeting being closed, we conclude.

Dorcas F Tucker. Clerk for the day.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held
5th mo. 28th 1868.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sophia G Howland and Susan Taber. For Long-plain, Phoebe S Delano, and Susan G Kimpton.

The clerk of this meeting being absent, Dorcas F Tucker is appointed for the day.

We unite with men friends in retaining Thomas J Russell in membership, he having married out of the order of our society.

Hannah Tripp informed that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Patience J Davis.

The time having expired for which the Overseers were appointed, this meeting is united in the reappointment of the same friends who served last year, viz:

for New Bedford Ann H Dunbar, Ruth J Wood, Anna G Wood, Dorcas F Tucker. For Longplain, Eliza C Davis, Lydia C. Dexter, Phoebe S Delano; For Nantucket Lydia Seward.

The time having expired for which the Overseers of the poor were appointed, the following friends are reappointed for the ensuing year:

For New Bedford: Sarah Howland, Sophia Ricketson, Rhoda J Gifford, Guilford W Howland.
For Longplain: Mary Ann Wing, Susan S Tripp, Betsey Miller, Susan G Kimpton.

The time having expired for which the clerks of this meeting were chosen, Rachel S Howland, Dorcas F Tucker, Ruth S Wood, Susan G Kimpton and Mary Gifford are appointed to select two friends for that service, and

present their names to our next Monthly Meeting.
The business of this meeting being finished
we conclude.

Dorcas F. Tucker. Clerk for the day.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women's
Friends held 6th mo. 25th 1868.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative
Meeting are Hannah P. Gifford and Ann H. Dunbar
For Longplain, Mary B. Bradford and Betsey Miller.
all present.

The friends appointed last month to select Clerks for
this meeting, are united in the reappointment of Anna
G. Wood for Clerk and Sarah M. Howland for assis-
sant clerk; which being united with, they are accord-
ingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year or until
another appointment. Anna G. Wood being prevented
by indisposition from serving at this time, Dorcas F.
Tucker is appointed Clerk for the day.

The company and gospel labors of our friend Hur-
riet Steer have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Edward C. Young attended this
meeting, presenting a satisfactory minute from
Goshen Monthly Meeting, endorsed by Shrewsbury-
Quarterly Meeting, Ohio. His company and Gospel
labors have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Joseph W. Jay, companion to
our friend Edward C. Young, attended this meeting.
His company has been satisfactory. He presented a
minute of unity from Rayville Monthly Meeting,
Indiana.

The Queries with answers to the three usually consid-
ered at this time, from each of our Preparative Meetings
have been read in this. A summary compiled therefrom,
which with an account to the Quarterly Meeting
we forward by our friends Nancy B. Dillingham,
Susan A. Tripp, Betsey P. Wood, Mary B. Baylies,
Ann H. Dunbar, and Hannah P. Gifford, whom we
appoint our representatives.

The business of the meeting being closed, we conclude.

Dorcas F. Tucker. Clerk for the day.

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At New Bedford. Monthly Meeting of Women Friends,
held 7th mo. 23rd 1868.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rhoda T. Lifford and Phoebe Howland. For Longplain, Hannah T. Bradford and Lydia Richardson. All present.

The representatives to our late Yearly Meeting ^{all} attended, according to appointment.

The report of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School has been read and is acceptable to us.

A communication from James T. Almy and his wife Mary Ann Almy has been received, requesting that their four ^{minor} children, Sarah W., Emma M., Frank O., and Walter T. Almy should be admitted into membership with us; and we therefore appoint our friends Rachel T. Howland, and Rhoda H. Taber to unite with a similar committee from the mens' meeting to visit them on the account, and report at a future season. We are informed by New York Monthly Meeting that they have received and accepted a removal certificate on behalf of Mary T. Porter.

The business of the meeting being finished, we conclude.

Susan G. Wood - Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends,
held 8th mo. 27 1868.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sophia Richardson and Sylvia G. Howland. For Longplain, Nancy B. Dillingham, and Sarah B. Stade. All present.

Interesting and acceptable Epistles from London and Dublin Yearly Meetings have been read at this time.

The committee appointed to visit James T. Almy and his wife Mary Ann Almy, on account of their request for their four minor children: Sarah W., Emma M., Frank O. and Walter T. Almy, to be received into membership have presented the following report, which has been accepted by this and the mens' meeting, and they are accordingly received as members of our Religious Society, and Susan Taber is appointed to give them the information.

We unite with Men Friends in retaining Jonathan E. Cowen as a member of our Society;

Our dear friend Rachel S. Howland has returned the Minute, granted her in 11th mo 1865, and informs that the service therein specified has been partially accomplished, to the relief of her own mind, and that the sympathy and unity of Friends has been a strength to her: which account is satisfactory to the meeting. The business of the meeting being accomplished, we conclude.

Sarah G. Wood - Clerk.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held 9th mo 24th 1868.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sophia Richardson, and Mary R. Baylies. For Longplain, Betsey G. Wood, and Sarah A. Holmes. All present.

We are informed through Longplain Preparative Meeting that Mary A. Ryder (late Tripp) has united herself in marriage with one not in membership with us, and we appoint Betsey P. Wood and Susan G. Kimpton to communicate with her, and report to a future meeting.

The Queries, with answers to the First, Second, and Tenth, from each of our Preparative Meetings have been read in this, and a summary compiled therefrom, which, with an account to the Quarterly Meeting, we forward (by our friends Lubiana W. Howland, Rebecca C. Linnell, Mary Ann Wing, Dorcas F. Tucker, and Betsey G. Wood, whom we appoint our representatives.

We are informed that Priscilla, wife of Clothier Lifford requests a removal certificate addressed to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, and we accordingly appoint Sarah H. Anthony, and Anna G. Wood to prepare one on her behalf, and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

A removal Certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, addressed to this, on behalf of our friend Eliza Wing has been accepted, in concurrence with

the mens' meeting, and Dorcas F. Tucker is appointed to visit her on the account.

The business of the meeting being closed, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood. Clerk.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held 10th mo 22nd 1868.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rebecca Church and Sarah Anthony. For Long Plain Peter Miller, and Ann A. Macomber - present except two.

The assistant clerk being absent, Susan Taber is appointed to that service for the day.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Dorcas F. Tucker informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Eliza Wing.

We unite with men friends in retaining Laban P. Crocker as a member of our religious Society.

The friends appointed to prepare a removal certificate for Priscilla Gifford addressed to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, have presented one which has been approved by this, and the mens' meeting, and the clerk is directed to sign it on our behalf.

The business of the meeting being finished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood - Clerk.

- At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 11 mo 26th 1868.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ann H. Dunbar, and Sophia Ricketson: for Long Plain, Nancy B. Dillingham, and Sarah A. Holmes: all present.

The assistant clerk being absent Susan Taber is appointed to that service for the day.

Our beloved friend Joseph H. Pratt attended this meeting, presenting a satisfactory minute from Dover Monthly Meeting: His company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Martha E. Pratt, accompanied to her husband Joseph H. Pratt, also attended this meeting: her

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Company and religious services have been very satisfactory. The clerk is at liberty to unite with the clerk of the Mens' Meeting in furnishing the above named friends with Minutes conformable to the above.

The Queries, with answers to the first, second and tenth, from each of our Preparative Meetings, have been read in this, and a summary compiled from the answers, which we forward to the Quarterly Meeting by our friends Lydia, & Howland, Mary Gifford, Susan G Kimpton, and Susan Taber, whom we appoint our representatives.

We unite with men friends in furnishing a removal certificate to Laban P Crocker, addressed to Sandwich Monthly Meeting.

The business of this meeting being accomplished, we conclude.

Anna G Wood. Clerk.

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New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends,
held 12 ms. 24th 1868.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Mary C. Raylies, Rebecca L. Guinnell; for Long-plain Elizabeth H. Wood, and Phebe Gifford; present except one.

The assistant clerk being absent, Susan Taber is appointed to that service for the day.

The Committee appointed in the Ninth month to communicate with Mary A. Ryder on account of her deviation in marriage have presented the following report, viz: Agreeable to our appointment, we have communicated with Mary A. Ryder (late Tripp) on the subject of complaint against her; in her reply to us, she acknowledged her deviation in marriage, but appeared very desirous to be retained a member of our Religious Society.

With feelings favorable to her request, we submit the case to the judgment of the Monthly Meeting.

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Acushnet 12 ms. 23rd 1868 Susan G Kimpton
which report has been accepted by this meeting, having the concurrence of men friends, and she is accordingly retained a member of our Religious Society; and Anna G Wood is

appointed to inform her thereof.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

The business of this meeting being finished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood - Clerk.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends,
held 1mo 28th 1869.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Eliza Wing and Rhoda Ann Tripp: for Longplain Mary H. Kimpton and Betsey G. Wood.

The assistant clerk still being absent, Susan Taber is appointed to that service for the day.

Anna G. Wood informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case Mary A. Ryder.

Our beloved friend Thomas B. Nichols attended this Meeting, presenting a satisfactory minute from Vassalboro Monthly Meeting: his company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Rachel B. Nichols, companion to her husband Thomas B. Nichols, also attended this Meeting with a minute from the same Monthly Meeting: her company and services have been satisfactory to us.

The business of this meeting being accomplished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood - Clerk.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends,
held 2nd mo. 25th 1869.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth Abby and Susan Taber: for Longplain, Phoebe J. Delano and Eliza C. Davis. - all present.

In the absence of the assistant Clerk, Susan Taber is appointed to that service for the day.

A concern having been expressed in this meeting that some addition be made to our Meeting of Ministers and Elders, the following friends viz: Deacon F. Tucker, Ruth J. Wood, Sarah H. Anthony, Rachel J. Howland, Rhoda H. Taber, Betsey J. Wood, Ann H. Drubar and Susan Taber are appointed to write with a similar committee from the Men's Meeting, to take the subject into consideration,

and report to a future meeting.

This meeting being informed that our friends Joseph Grinnell and his wife Rebecca C. Grinnell propose to embark for England near the close of next month for a short sojourn there, and were desirous of being furnished with a certificate of membership in our Society, the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the Friends' meeting in preparing a suitable minute expressive of the same and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

A removal certificate on behalf of William T. Strong has been accepted, in concurrence with New Friends.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Susan G. Wood - Clerk.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends,
held 3rd mo. 25th 1869.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sophia Ricketson, and Mary C. Bennett, for Long Plain: Mary Ann Wing and Elizabeth Cannon - all present. On the absence of the assistant Clerk Dorcas F. Tucker is appointed to that service for the day.

Our beloved friend Jesse T. Hartley attended this meeting, presenting a satisfactory minute from Tolland Monthly Meeting, Ohio, endorsed by Ashm Creek Quarterly Meeting: his company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Pleasant C. Phipps, companion to our friend Jesse T. Hartley also attended this meeting, presenting a minute of unity from Damascus Monthly Meeting, Ohio: his company has been satisfactory to us.

The Queries, with answers thereto from each of our Preparative Meetings have been read in this, and a summary prepared from the answers, which is to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives, Susan G. Knappston, Ruth F. Ford, Ruth May, Ann H. Dunbar, and Sophia Ricketson.

The committee appointed last month to consider the subject of making addition to the Meeting of Ministers and Elders, now reported by recommending the appointment of Dorcas F. Tucker and Susan Taber, to the station of Elder, which proposition having

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been considered, was fully united with by this meeting, and the Mens' Meeting, and they are accordingly appointed to that station. The Clerk is directed to forward their names to the Quarterly Meeting for its concurrence.

We also unite with Men Friends in the appointment of Matthew Howland, and Seth K. Skin to the same station.

The clerks who were directed to prepare a certificate of membership for our friends Joseph and Rebecca Grinnell have presented the following viz:

which has been fully united with in concurrence with Men Friends and is directed to be signed on our behalf.

A communication from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting has been received, informing that they were about to restore to membership Clother Gifford, formerly disowned by this Monthly Meeting, and asking our concurrence. We unite with the Mens' Meeting in giving our consent to this proceeding.

We are informed through Long Plain Preparative Meeting that Louisa R. Gerrish, late Cowen, has united herself in marriage with one not in membership with us, and we accordingly appoint Phoebe S. Delano, Susan G. Humphrey, and Patsy G. Wood to visit her on the account, and report to a future meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood - Clerk.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 4th mo 22nd 1869.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rebecca Church, and Rhoda T. Gifford: for Long Plain, Anna A. Macomber, and Rebecca Gifford present except one.

The assistant clerk still being absent, Ruth S. Wood is appointed to that service for the day.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

A lively and interesting epistle from our dear sisters of North Carolina Yearly Meeting has been read, to our refreshment, at this time.

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The business of this meeting being accomplished, we conclude.

Anna G Wood - Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held 5th mo: 27th 1869.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rhoda Ann Tripp and Hannah P Gifford: for Long Plain, Elizabeth H Wood, and Nancy B Dillingham - all present.

In the absence of the clerks, Dorcas A Tucker, is appointed Clerk, and Susan Taber assistant Clerk, for the day.

The committee appointed to visit Luisea R Gerrish, late Cowen, on account of her deviation in marriage, have presented the following report, viz:

The committee appointed in the case of Luisea R Gerrish, late Cowen, on the account of her deviation in marriage have had an opportunity with her with a good degree of satisfaction.

She seems attached to our society, which we believe to be sincere, and is desirous to retain her right of membership; which we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

Susan G Humpton.

Phoebe S Delano

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which report has been accepted by this and the Men's Meeting, and she is accordingly restored to membership with us, and Hannah Tripp is appointed to give her the information.

Lydia (Pickston) having requested a removal certificate to Swansea, Monthly Meeting, Susan G Humpton, and Nancy B Dillingham are appointed to prepare one on her behalf and present to a future meeting.

A removal certificate from Duxbury Monthly Meeting, for Mchitable Gifford, wife of Pely P Gifford, has been accepted by this, in concurrence with New Friends. Rhoda T Gifford and Rhoda H Taber, are appointed to visit her on that account.

An interesting epistle from our sisters of Andover's Yearly Meeting has been read at this time.

The united with Mr. Friend in receiving again into membership Cyrus Kelly, they having received the consent of Frederick Monthly collecting there to.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished, was concluded.

Perce F. Tucker - Clerk for the day.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Universal Friends held Com-24-1869.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rebecca Church & Deborah Taber, in Town & in Town Louisa Chase and Betsey Miller, all present.

Hannah Trapp informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Louisa ^{R.} Perish.

Rhoda H. Taber on behalf of the committee reports that they have visited Abigail Gifford in account of the reception of her certificate to this Meeting.

Our beloved friend Lewis Bidell attended this Meeting, with a copy of a Minute from Guego.

Monthly Meeting, New York, endorsed by Maria Putnam Quarterly Meeting his company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Martha Watkins, also attended this Meeting, presenting a Minute from Goshen Monthly Meeting Ohio; endorsed by Almond Church Quarterly Meeting, her company and religious services have been acceptable.

Our dear friend Jane F. Brown accompanied to Martha Watkins but also been with us at this time, with a minute of concurrence from Greenwich Monthly Meeting Ohio, her company and solid deportment, has been satisfactory to us. The Clerk is at liberty to unite with the Clerk of the Men's Meeting in signing indentments on their certificates conformable to the above.

The Queries with answers to the First, Second and Tenth from each of our Preparative Meetings, have been read and a summary compiled from the answers, which is to be forwarded to the Quarterly

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Meeting, by our friends Rebecca Church, Ruth S. Child, Maria H. Kimball & Maria Taber whom we appoint our representatives.

We unite with our Friends in sending a proposition to our ensuing Quarterly Meeting at Falmouth that they should take into consideration, the propriety of removing the Quarterly Meeting held there in the Fourth month from that place, to some other, which shall be designated by Friends at that time.

The time having expired for which the Overseers and Oversees of the Year of this Meeting were appointed, we are united in the reappointment of the same Friends who served last year viz. for New Bedford, Ann H. Dunbar and Ruth S. Todd, Dorcas W. Tucker and Abner G. Wood; for Long Plain, Elias C. Davis, Lydia L. Seyler and Phoebe S. Swain; for Nantucket Lydia Swain.

Oversees of the Year for New Bedford, Sarah M. Howland, Sophia Ricketson and Rhoda T. Gifford and Gulielma W. Howland; for Long Plain, Mary Ann King, Susan T. Gifford, Betsey Allen and Susan G. Kersington.

The committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate for Lydia Ricketson, have presented the following, which has been approved in concurrence with the Friends Meeting, and is directed to be signed on our behalf.

The time having expired for which the Clerks of this Meeting were chosen, Sarah H. Anthony, Rhoda H. Taber, and Susan G. Kimball are appointed to select two Friends for that service; and present their names to our next Monthly Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Annia G. Todd Clerk.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
Friends held Jan. 22nd 1869.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative
Meeting, are Luke Howland & Ruth Olney; for
Long Plain, Luke T. Siano and Hannah H.
Bradford, all present.

The committee appointed on the subject of Clerks
have proposed the reappointment of Anna G. Wood
for Clerk, and Sarah M. Howland for assistant
Clerk, which being united with by this Meeting,
they are appointed to those services respectively for
the ensuing year, or until another appointment.

The representatives to the Yearly Meeting
report that they all attended according to
appointment.

William E. Hoag and Mary L. Kempton
having by a written declaration informed this
Meeting, of their intentions of marriage with
each other, we appoint Mary Gifford to take
the necessary care in the case, and report to
our next Monthly Meeting.

The report of the Yearly Meeting Boarding
School has been read and is acceptable to us.
A lively and interesting Epistle from our dear
Sisters of London Yearly Meeting has been read
at this time.

The business of the Meeting being accomplish-
ed we conclude.

Anna G. Wood - Clerk -

8 mi 1569. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held
8th mo. 26th 1869.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are
Betty E. Howland and Rhoda T. Gifford; in Long Plain
Betsey L. Wood and Betsey Kitter; all present except one.

Our beloved friend Caroline E. Talbot attended this meeting,
presenting a satisfactory Minute from Short Creek Monthly
Meeting, Ohio, indorsed by Short Creek Quarterly Meeting; in
company and gospel labors have been truly acceptable to us.
Our dear friend Elizabeth T. Holson, companion to our friend
Caroline E. Talbot, also attended this meeting with a Minute
of unity from Smithfield Monthly Meeting, Ohio; her company
has been satisfactory to us, and the Clerk is left at liberty to
unite with the Clerk of the Mens' Meeting in signing indorse-
ments on their certificates conformable to the above.

The friend appointed last month to make the usual inquiries in
the case of Mary H. Rempton reports that she finds nothing to pre-
vent her proceeding in marriage with William E. Hoag, and they
having the consent of surviving parents are left at liberty to so-
lemnize their marriage according to the good order of our Society,
at the house of Joseph Rempton at Long Plain, on Sixth day, the
10th of 9th month at 12 o'clock M.

Nancy B. Dillingham and Anna G. Wood are appointed to have
the oversight of the marriage and report to our next Monthly
Meeting.

We are informed through Long Plain Preparative Meeting that
Priscilla Kellar has requested to become a member of our
religious Society; we accordingly appoint our friends Lyubah
Cannon and Susan C. Rempton to visit her on this account -
and report to a future meeting.

We have received information through New Bedford Preparative
Meeting that Mary Wood (aka Russell) has married out of
the order of our Society with one not in membership with us; -
we appoint Dorcas F. Tucker and Anna L. Wood to communicate
with her upon this subject and report at some future time.

A removal certificate from New York Monthly Meeting addressed
to this on behalf of Mary M. Underhill, and her daughter
Annie Elizabeth Underhill was here received and accepted in
concurrence with the Mens' Meeting, and Rhoda E. Taber is
appointed to visit her on that account.

We appoint Sarah H. Anthony, Rhoda E. Taber, Susan Taber,

Persons present Ruth King, Eliza C. Davis, and Susan L. Kimpton to confer with a similar committee from the others' meeting to visit the meeting at Mattapoisett, now much reduced in size, to confer with friends residing there upon its present condition, to take the subject into consideration and report to a future Meeting.

The business of the meeting being accomplished, we conclude
 Wm. C. Smith Secy.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women's Friends, held
 23rd mo. 23rd 1869.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth King, and Sarah Jane Tubbs; for Long Plain, Nancy B. Dillingham and Phoebe G. Delano - all present.

Nancy B. Dillingham reports on behalf of the committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of William C. Hoag and Mary H. Kimpton that it was conducted in an orderly manner.

Rhoda H. Tuck informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Mary M. Underhill and her daughter.

The Queries with answers to the First, Second and Tenth from each of our Preparative Meetings have been read in this, and a summary compiled from the answers, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives Ruth S. Wood, Hannah S. Wing, Mary C. Baylies, Phoebe Howland, Susan G. Kimpton, and Gulielma W. Howland.

Our beloved friend Sarah H. Reynolds attended this meeting with a minute of unity from Providence Monthly Meeting. Her song and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us, and the clerk is left at liberty to sign an indorsement on her certificate in accordance with the above.

We are informed through New Bedford Preparative Meeting that Hannah Sears has requested to become a member of our religious Society. We appoint Rachel S. Howland and Anna G. Wood to visit her on that account and report to a future meeting.

The committee appointed in 10th mo. 24th 1867 to confer with Alice D. Thurman on account of her request to be released from Membership with us have presented the following report:

To the attending meeting.

According to our appointment to confer with Alice Thurman on

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account of her request to be released from membership with us. we report that we have given attention to the object of our appointment, and have recently learned that she has joined herself to another religious society. We therefore submit the case to the Monthly Meeting.

To the Committee

Lydia Longden

This report has been accepted in concurrence with Men Friends, and we appoint Rachel P. Howland to inform her of the judgment of this meeting.

A certificate from Westport Monthly Meeting on behalf of Rebecca A. Winslow has been accepted in concurrence with Men Friends, and Rhoda H. Taber is requested to visit her on that account.

We also unite with the Men's Meeting in accepting a certificate from the same Monthly Meeting on behalf of Edward H. Winslow.

The committee to whom was assigned the duty of visiting Priscilla Hillar on account of her request to become a member of our Society, have presented the following report:—

To the Monthly Meeting:

Agreeably to our appointment we have visited Priscilla Hillar. She evinced much attachment for the Society of Friends, and we believe her sincere in her desire to become a member.

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which report has been accepted by this and the Men's Meeting, and she is accordingly received into membership with us, and Peter Hillar is appointed to inform her thereof.

An interesting report from the committee on the subject of Education has been received and accepted, and we reappoint the same committee; viz: Mary B. Bradford, Mary Sifford, Mary Ann King, Ruth P. Ford, Lydia L. Howland, Rhoda S. Sifford, Mary B. Baylies, Rebecca L. Grinnell, Susan Taber, Susan P. Tripp, and Anna L. Wood, with the exception of Lydia Ricketson, who has removed, and the addition of Sarah Jane Taber, Rebecca Church and Nancy B. Dillingham to unite with a similar committee from the Men's Meeting.

Our dear friends Joseph and Rebecca L. Grinnell returned at

has been a certificate of membership which was granted them
by this meeting in the Third month 1869. and inform that
they have attended London and Dublin Yearly Meetings with
much satisfaction, and have also given an interesting account
of their visit, which is acceptable to us.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished, we conclude

James G. Ford

Clerk.

10 mo.

1869

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held
10th mo. 28th 1869.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are
Lucia Kimpton and Ruth Abney; for Long Plain Hannah
Bradford and Lydia Dexter - all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they
all attended.

Rhoda H. Taber informs that she has attended to her appoint-
ment in the case of Rebecca Winslow.

The committee appointed to visit Hannah ^{26.2} Sears on account of
her request to be restored to membership, have presented the
following report:

According to our appointment we have visited Hannah Sears
on account of her request to be restored to membership. She
evinced a sincere attachment to our religious principles and be-
lieved she had sustained a loss by being so long separated from our
Society. The interview on our part was a satisfactory one, and we are
satisfied in believing it would be safe to grant her request.

Rachel B. Howard

Anna G. Wood

Which report has been accepted in concurrence with Men Friends, and
she is accordingly received a member of our Society; and Rhoda
Bifford and Rhoda H. Taber are appointed to inform her of the
judgment of this Meeting.

A removal certificate having been requested for our Friend Hannah
H. Board, addressed to Haddonfield Monthly Meeting, New Jersey,
Sarah M. Howard and Mrs. Catharine W. Howard are appointed to
take care of her behalf, and present to our next Monthly
Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished, we conclude.

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1869

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 11 mo.
25th 1869.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Deborah Fair and Betty E. Howland; for Long Plain, Nancy P. Wood and Betty Hillas - present with one exception.

Phoebe Lifford and Phoebe E. Taber inform that they have attended to their appointment in the case of Hannah Sears.

Our beloved friend Joseph H. Pratt attended this Meeting, presenting a satisfactory Minute from Long Plain Monthly Meeting. His company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

Our dear friend Martha E. Pratt, an elder, companion to her husband Joseph H. Pratt, also attended this Meeting; her company and services have been satisfactory.

A removal certificate for Hannah M. Woodie addressed to Wadsworth Monthly Meeting, New Jersey, is accepted in concurrence with the Men's Meeting, and the Clerk is directed to sign it and forward to that Meeting on our behalf.

The Queries with answers to the three usually considered at this time have been read and a summary prepared from the answers which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives Ruth L. Wood, Mary M. Underhill, Phoebe Lifford, and Ann Muscumber.

We unite with Men Friends in retaining Charles R. Tucker Jr. a member of our Society.

The business of the Meeting being finished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood, Clerk

12th mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held
12th mo. 23^d 1869.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rebecca L. Grinnell and Eiza Wing; for Long Plain, Nancy B. Dillingham and Elizabeth H. Wood, - all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report their attendance at that time.

Nashel E. Howland informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Alice D. Therman.

Our beloved friend William Henry Schae attended this Meeting, presenting a satisfactory Minute from Long Plain Monthly Meeting, New York. His company and religious services have been

contains to us, and the wish is directed to unite with the Clerk
of the Mens' Meeting in signing my endorsement on his certificate
conformably to the above.

interesting and instructive Epistles from our dear sisters of
Dublin and New York Yearly Meetings have been read at this
time.

The business of the Meeting being finished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood

Clk.

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The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are
Mary C. Bantier and Dorcas F. Tucker; - for Long Plain Ann
A. Macomber and Peter S. Quinn - all present.

A removal certificate from Swansea Monthly Meeting on behalf
of our friend Lydia A. Ricketson has been received and accep-
ted in concurrence with Men Friends, and Susan C. Ricketson
is requested to visit her on the account.

We are informed through New Bedford Preparative Meeting that
Mary H. Randall has requested to become a member of our
religious Society. We appoint our friends Rachel T. Howland
and Dorcas F. Tucker to visit her on the account and report
to a future meeting.

An interesting epistle from our dear sisters of Baltimore Yearly
Meeting has been acceptably read at this time.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood. Clk.

We submit the request of Mary H. Randall which
was accidentally omitted.

Dear Friends:

Believing in God the Father and trusting
through the Mediation of Jesus Christ I have an
acquaintance with Him, that He has come to forgive
sin, and that He says in His Divine Word, "Seek and
ye shall find", I present myself before you, asking to be
accepted as a member of the Friends Meeting, believing the
word of God, and His Son Jesus Christ, the Father pro-
pitiary that He has provided for us in the way of Christ.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held
2nd mo. 24th 1870

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Lydia T. Howland and Rebecca A. Church; for Long Plain Hannah Bradford and Peter W. Miller-- all present.

Susan G. Kimpton informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Lydia E. Ricketson.

We are informed through New Bedford Preparative Meeting that Phoebe H. Mendall requests to be received into membership with us; we accordingly appoint Sarah H. Anthony and Anna G. Wood to visit her on that account and report to a future meeting.

We unite with Men Friends in receiving James B. Leigden a member of our religious Society.

A request having been presented to this Meeting on behalf of Isaac L. and Charlotte Bowen, and their three minor children; Edward F. A., Isabella L., and Lizzie C., for their admission into membership with our religious Society. Ruth S. Wood and Susan G. Kimpton are appointed to visit with a similar committee from the Men's Meeting to visit them on the account and report to a future meeting.

Our beloved friend Huldah Peede attended this Meeting, presenting a Minute of unity from Providence ^{Mo.} Meeting, indorsed by Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting. Her company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

We unite with Men Friends in granting a removal certificate to William M. Barney, addressed to Salem Monthly Meeting. Mary K. Hoag having requested a removal certificate addressed to New York Monthly Meeting; Ann H. Dunbar and Susan Taber are appointed to prepare one on her behalf and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being finished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood

Secy.

3d mo
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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held
3d mo 24th 1870.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sarah Jane Fisher and Rhoda A. Lifford; for Long Plain Sarah D. Wing and Lydia A. Ricketson - present except one who was prevented from attending by indisposition.

The queries with answers thereto have been read in this Meeting, and a summary prepared from the answers, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends Sylvia S. Howland, Susan S. Kimpton, Ann H. Dunbar and Deborah Howland, whom we appoint our representatives.

A certificate for Mary H. Hoag, addressed to New York Monthly Meeting has been presented and accepted in concurrence with her friends, and the Clerk is directed to sign and forward it on her behalf.

An interesting epistle from our dear sisters of North Carolina Quarterly Meeting has been read to our refreshment and encouragement at the present time.

The business of the meeting being accomplished, we conclude.

Anna S. Ford

Secy.

4th mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held
4th mo. 28th 1870

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Hannah H. Sears and Sophia Ricketson; for Long Plain Nancy B. Litchingham and Betsey S. Wood - all present.

We are informed that the representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting were all in attendance at that time.

The committee appointed in the First Month to visit Mary H. Randall on account of her request, have presented the following report viz. "The committee appointed to visit Mary Randall wife of David Randall report that they have had several interviews with her on account of her request to become a member of our Religious Society, and that they have found her

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in a tender and satisfactory frame of mind,, and
being it was to urge to grant her request, at the San-
tino re-construction, and to the Christian care and
watchful friends.

Sarah H. Anthony
Anna G. Wood

New Bedford 4 mo. 23. 1870.

Which report has been accepted in concurrence with
Miss Friends, and she is accordingly received a mem-
ber of our Society, and Sarah H. Anthony is appointed
to inform her accordingly.

The committee with Miss Friends in retaining of John F.
Smith a member of our Society.

The committee in the case of Phila H. Kendall
have presented the following report viz.

In accordance with our appointment we have
visited Phila H. Kendall on account of her request.
She is a sincere attachment to the principles of
our Society, with which she has been acquainted from
early life, and believes that it would be a strength
and encouragement to her, to be united in membership
with us. We are united in the belief that it would
be safe to grant her request.

Sarah H. Anthony
Anna G. Wood

New Bedford 4 mo. 29. 1870.

Which report has been united, and by this I. the
Miss Meeting, and she is received into member-
ship with us, and Sarah H. Anthony is appointed
to give her the information.

The business of the meeting being finished
we conclude.

Anna G. Wood
Clerk.

5th mo. 1870. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of American Friends held 5th mo. 26-1870. The representation for New Bedford, Representative Meeting, are Gaietina W. Hurland and Ruth S. Wood. For Long Plain Lydia Kicketts and Chas. S. Winger. All the said. I have become informed that she has attempted to her appointment in the case of Phoebe H. Mendon. Sarah H. Anthony reports having given attention to a similar appointment in the case of Miss H. Randall.

We are informed through Long Plain Representative Meeting that Clara H. Burkhardt has united herself in marriage with one not in membership with us, we accordingly appointed Richard W. Hurland and Sylvia S. Hurland to visit her on the account and report to a future meeting. We write with Mrs. Friends in relation to Richard S. Hurland a member of our congregation.

We also write with the Mens Meeting in receiving William S. Eldridge into membership with us.

The time having nearly expired for which the Overseers and Overseers of the Soc. of this Meeting were appointed, Gaietina W. Hurland, Phoebe S. Gifford, Sarah T. Anthony, Mrs. Gifford and Ruth S. Wood, are appointed to bring forward the names of Friends suitable to fill their stations to our next Monthly Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood

Clara

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of American Friends held 6th mo. 23rd-1870. The representation for New Bedford are Mary T. Bennett and Alice Tucker, for Long Plain Elizabeth C. Wood and Phoebe S. Heland - who were in person.

Our beloved friends, David H. Bennett from
Burlington Monthly Meeting New York, Caroline E.
Hart from Port Creek Monthly Ohio, and James
E. Bayley from New Garden Monthly Meeting
Iowa, attended this meeting, each presenting
satisfactory testimonials from their respective
meetings, expressive of unity with their Ministry
and present religious engagements, their coming
and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Hannah G. Sawyer a minister
from Dover Monthly Meeting, accompanied to our
friend Caroline E. Hart, has also been with us,
her company and religious services have been
acceptable to us.

Our esteemed friend Erastus H. Meale from New
Garden Monthly Meeting Iowa accompanied to our
friend James E. Bayley also attended this Meeting
with a minute of concurrence, his company has
been satisfactory to us. The Clerk is left at
liberty to unite with the Clerk of the mens
meeting, in furnishing the above named friends
with minutes conformable to the above.

The committee appointed last month to visit
Eliza H. Brookhouse on account of her deviation
in marriage have presented the following report.
We are appointed and we have visited
Eliza H. Brookhouse late Horland, on account
of her deviation in marriage. Our interview
was a very satisfactory one, and she expressed
a very decided wish to be retained in mem-
bership with the Society of Friends.

Rachel S. Horland

Sylvia G. Horland.

New Bedford Conn. 23d. 1870.

Eliza's report has been accepted in concurrence
with men Friends, and she is accordingly
retained a member of our Religious Society;
and Mabel S. Delano is appointed to give her the
information.

Walter unit with the mens meeting in
accepting John B. Baylies into membership
with us.

6m. 1870 The Ladies with answers to the report, read & sent to each of our Separative Meetings, and have read in this and a summary compiled from the answers, which is to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meetings by our friends Mary C. Baylies, Hannah S. Wing, Phoebe Gifford & Susan S. Trapp whom we appoint our representatives.

The committee appointed last month, to bring forward the names of friends suitable to serve this Meeting as Overseers, report that they are united in recommending the appointment of Rebecca S. Gifford, Rebecca C. Gurnard and Sarah M. Howland to the New Bedford Separative Meeting, for Long Plain Maria C. Davis, Lucia C. Defto, & Phoebe S. Delano, for Mantucket Lydia Swain; They also propose as Overseers of the new, for New Bedford Mary C. Baylies, Phoebe Howland and Phoebe Hecorn, for Long Plain Mary Ann Wing, Susan S. Trapp and Betsey Hilder, and Susan G. Remptin, which being united with they are accordingly appointed to those services respectively for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

The time having expired for which the Elders of this Meeting were appointed, Ann S. Guntar, Rachel S. Howland, Sophia Ricketson, Sarah M. Nathan and Susan C. Kimball, are requested to bring forward the names of friends suitable to fill those stations, and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood. Clerk.

Jan 1870. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Amine Friends
and Jan 1870. The representatives for Amine
Friends, viz. William Dutton and Rebecca S. Brown
and Susan Taber, for Long Island Betsey H. H. H.
and Mary Ann Thwing, who are all present.

The committee appointed last month to select
clerk for this meeting have proposed the names
of Anna G. Wood for Clerk, and Sarah M. Hubbard
for assistant clerk, which being united with, they
are appointed to those services respectively for the
ensuing year or until another appointment.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting were all
in attendance at that time.

Thos. S. Delano reports that she has attended to
her appointment in the case of Eliza H. Brookhouse.
One second friend Sarah W. Fare, attended this
meeting, presenting a minute of unity from
Fildesfield Monthly Meeting, her company and
Gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

One beloved friend Noah Fare companion to his wife
Sarah W. Fare, also attended this meeting, producing
a satisfactory minute from the same Monthly Meeting.

His company has been acceptable to us. The clerk is
directed to unite with the clerk of the mens meeting in
summoning the above named Friends with minutes
conformable to the above.

We have received through New Bedford the separate
minutes received from Old Line Ch. we have admitted
into membership with us; we accordingly appoint
Susan Taber and Anna G. Wood to visit her and she
account & report to a future meeting.

The committee appointed in the second month to
visit Anne S. Corwin and family on account of their
request to be admitted into membership with us,
have presented the following report - which after due
deliberation has been united with, and they are
accordingly received as members of our Society, with
the exception of the eldest son, who has to be of an
age the application was made. Thos. S. Delano
is appointed to give them the same matter.

The report of the previous meeting's business sheet, was
then read, and is acceptable to us.

The business of the meeting being accomplished
we conclude.

Amia C. Wood Clerk.

Sept. 17th At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends held Sept. 23rd 1870. The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are, Ruth L. Loomis, and Miss E. H. Loomis, for New Bedford State S. Delano and Rebecca J. Gifford. Present, except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

Rebecca S. Delano informs that she has attended to her appointment, in the case of Charlotte Loomis & her daughter. She unite with New Friends in receiving Arthur and John Baylies, minor children of John B. and Mary C. Baylies, as members of our Society. The committee appointed in the Tenth mo. 1867, to confer with certain individuals, reported on the 1st of the last November Monthly Meeting, and presented the following report. The committee appointed to communicate with those persons whose names stand as members of Nantucket Monthly Meeting, present their report.

To the Monthly Meeting of New Bedford, but as we believe your indelible delay, some members of your committee have visited Nantucket, and had interviews with most of those persons whose names stand as members of Nantucket Monthly Meeting, transpired to this Meeting and would report upon them as follows.

Sydney Marshall Jr. said she took neither one side nor the other in the division of the Society, she only sat still. Attends Fair St. Meetings at times, but might not attend one, if there was a minister there. We do not see much prospect of usefulness to her or to Society, from continuing her in membership. Lydia J. Spencer. Was disowned by the Nantucket Friends many years ago, and has since attended the Congregational Meeting, and thinks it best to continue to

do so. She has time but consented to resign the right of membership with us, which resignation we present herewith. Nantucket Nov. 5. 1870.

In the Monthly Meeting of Nov. 1. 1870. Maria attended the Congregational Church for some years, I wish to resign my privilege as a member of your Society. Yours respectfully,
Lucia G. Spencer.

Melinda Barney - Received us with much kindness but consented not to resign the right of membership, and we present her resignation.

Nantucket August 15th, 1870.

To the New Bedford Monthly Meeting - Quite to my surprise, I find that you consider me a member of your Monthly Meeting, and although I have the most profound respect, and deepest devotion to you with Friends, as a Society, yet I think it will not be consistent with my present style of life, to be retained a member, and feel that it will be best to ask you to release me from membership. With the kindest feelings, I am your assured friend.
Lucia S. Barney.

Sam. Barney & Elizabeth C. Barney - Are members of New St. Meeting, and are fully decided not to consider themselves as members with us, although they received the communion kindly. We think that any further labor with them would be of no avail.
Catherine Austin.

Expressed an interest in the Society and a wish to be retained a member. We recommend that she be retained.

Elizabeth F. Gardner, Though she received us kindly does not consider herself connected with us as a religious body. We therefore recommend that she be released from membership.

Charles Hussey - Declined receiving us and does not wish to be retained amongst us. We recommend that she be released.

Mar. B. Coleman & Lucetta R. Cartwright. Sisters - Received us pleasantly, but were not ready, then were numbered as members, and did not wish to retain their rank as such.

They forward by us their resignation.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

We were not aware that we were members of Friends Meeting, and if our names are so in the book, would like to have them taken off.

Mary B. Coleman
Scientia R. Cartwright.

Nantucket Feb. 20. 1870.

Elizabeth H. Gardner (wife of Francis H.)

Elizabeth M. Rickerson daughter of the same.

Have no wish to be considered as members, and send with this our resignation.

Respected Friends,

Be it known that on this the 5th inst. of the month, we the undersigned do hereby tender our resignation as members of the "Society of Friends", and of our own free will and accord, do now and forever withdraw from all the benefits arising from connection with the said Society. Be it further known, that we do withdraw ourselves from Friends Meeting with no ill will to the community, and now although we are "World's People", we do hope that the Society of Friends may prosper and increase in members for a good many years to come.

Elizabeth H. Gardner.

Elizabeth M. Rickerson.

Sub. Mary - widow of Simon Mary.

Has deceased since our appointment.

Mary Swain. Was not aware that she was a member, and wishes to resign her rights & such. We recommend that her wish be granted.

Eloia K. Mitchell has been communicated with by letter, and we have not present her reply. We think further labor in the case would be of no avail.

Respected friends,

Sarah H. Anthony & Anna E. Good.

Your interest in my welfare is very kind, but I do not care to remain a member of your meeting.

Respectfully

E. K. Mitchell.

Germanstown 2 mo. 7. 1868.

dear Ann Albertson. Has been communicated with and has sent the accompanying reply.

We wish your labor will be blessed.

Sarah H. Anthony & Anna G. Wood

Respected friends

Your letter of the 18th inst. regarding if I wished to be retained as a member of your meeting has been received, and in reply I would say. I have no wish to be considered a member of that meeting. Very respectfully

Mary Anne Albertson.

Philadelphia Mo. 23d - 68

Mary Allen Did not wish to be considered a member amongst us. The recommendation that no further labor be bestowed.

Letters were written to Mary Folger and Ann Eliza Woods, and replies received which were read in this meeting. There has also been a letter received from Amelia B. Callender, from which we learn, that it is her wish to be retained in membership with us.

Rachel S. Howland

Ruth S. Wood.

New Bedford 8mo. 23 - 1870.

Which report having been read in joint Session of the Men & Women's Meeting, the cases were then severally and separately considered, and the recommendations of the report in the several cases were adopted. In accordance therewith we are united in desiring the following as members of our Religious Society viz. Lydia Marshall jr. Anne Bailey, Heptahia B. Bailey, Elizabeth H. Gardner, Martha Hussey, Mary Swain, Ann Eliza Woods, Mary Folger, Eliza R. Mitchell, Mary Anne Albertson and Anne Allen. We are also united in wishing, at their own request, from membership in our Society the following viz. Lydia G. Spencer, Anne Coleman, Lucinda Cartwright, Eliza H. Gardner, Elizabeth M. Kiekens and Melinda Brown - and we unite in expressing with the request the following to be retained in membership viz. Catharine Austin & Amelia B. Callender.

The clerk is directed to inform the above named individuals of the concluding of the Meeting in their respective cases.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.
 Anna G. Wood - Clerk -

June-1870 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends held June 22-1870. The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Hannah Sears and Peter H. Allen, for Long Plain, Nancy B. Dillingham and Elizabeth H. Wood - who are all present. The committee appointed in the 8th mo. 1869 to communicate with Mary R. Wood [late Russell] on account of her deviations in marriage, have presented the following report, viz:
 Whereas to our appointment we have communicated by letter with Mary R. Wood, on account of her deviation in marriage; She appears much attached to Friends, but owing to her remoteness from them, and the domestic relations into which she has entered, she believes that her sphere of Christian action, might be enlarged, by uniting with the Church of which her husband is a member. We therefore consider further action in the case unnecessary.
 Lucas T. Snodgrass

June-17-1870. Anna G. Wood
 (which being considered) is accepted, and she believing it her duty to unite with the Society of which her husband is a member, in view of her remote situation, from Friends, we accordingly release her from membership in our Society, our Friends concurring therein; and the clerk is appointed to give her the information. The committee appointed in the 7th mo. to visit Adeline S. Dye on account of her request to be initiated in membership with us, have presented the following report viz: To the Monthly Meeting. According to our appointment we have visited Adeline S. Dye on account of her application to

Jan 1870 became a member of our Society. We desire that our
 nearest friends from a feeling of religious concern,
 and also that her attachment to our principles
 is sincere. We think it would be safe to receive
 her into membership with us.

Anna C. Wood

Eliza C. Wood

Jan 21. 1870.

which has been accepted in concurrence with
 our friends, and she is received as a member of
 our Religious Society; and Mary C. Bailey is ap-
 pointed to inform her of the conclusion of this meeting.
 The Quorum with answers to the First, Second and
 Tenth from each of our Separative Meetings, have
 been read in this and a Summary prepared for
 the answers, which we forward to the ensuing
 Quarterly Meeting by our friends Elizabeth W.
 Howland, Rhoda T. Clifford, Hannah S. Wing
 and Peter G. Wood, whom we appoint our
 representatives.

A report of the committee on the subject of Education
 has been received and accepted, and we re-ap-
 point the same committee who served last year.
 An epistle from our dear sister of London, England
 has been acceptably read at this time.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna C. Wood - Clerk.

At New Bedford Quarterly Meeting of Women, held
 Feb 18mo - 27 - 1870. The representatives for New Bedford
 Separative Meeting are Lydia T. Howland, and
 Abigail Stearns, for Long Beach, Peter S. Sciano, and
 Sylvia S. Weeks.

Anna C. Wood reports that she has informed the
 former members of the late Manchester Monthly
 Meeting, referred to in the 8th. month, of the de-
 cisions of this Meeting in relation to their right
 of membership. She also informs that she has
 attended to her appointment in the case of
 Abigail R. Wood.

Nov. 1870 The representatives to the Anniversary Meeting report that they all attended.

Mary C. Baylies reports that she has informed Adeline S. Nye that she has been received into membership.

An Epistle from our dear Sisters of London Yearly Meeting has been acceptably read at this time. Our sister friend William C. Tutin, and his daughter Susan, taken members and elders of this Meeting, having felt it right for them to attend the approaching Yearly Meeting of North Carolina, we cordially unite with them in their concern, and the vote is divided to unite with the Church at the next Meeting in furnishing them with a Minutes confirmation to the above.

The business of the Meeting being terminated, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood - Clerk.

at New Bedford Yearly Meeting of Friends held Nov. 24th - 1870. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ellen King and Rebecca S. Church, for Long Plain Church. Maximilian and Hannah Bradford, all present. We have received through New Bedford Preparative Meeting the following request to be admitted into membership: Dear Friends. Under a solemn and deep conviction of duty, and an humble and abiding trust, that it is through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, I now express my desire of being received into membership with your Society. Hoping it may meet with the approval of all, and that with entire consecration of heart to the Divine Will, I may grow in grace, and in the saving knowledge of my dear Lord & Savior Jesus Christ. Respectfully submitted

Annie K. Anthony.

We appoint Rachel S. Howland and Sarah A. Holmes to visit her on the account and report to a future Meeting.

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We have also received through the same meeting the following request from Rebecca S. Howland for herself and five minor children viz. - Thomas H. Abby S. - John S. - Rebecca S. and, Alice M. Howland to become members of our Society

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends
Fairhaven 11th mo. 16th

Dear Friends

Feeling a need of association with a religious Society and hoping thereby to receive strength, I wish to submit to your decision an application for membership with the Society of Friends; for myself and five youngest children.

With much love.

Rebecca S. Howland.

Susan G. Kempton, and Dorcas T. Tucker are appointed to unite with a similar Committee from the Mens ^{meeting} to visit them and report at a future time.

A removal certificate for Eunice Ray addressed to Vassalboro. Monthly Meeting, having been requested, we appoint Guiliana W. Howland & Rhoda T. Gifford to prepare one in her behalf, and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

Hannah T. Gifford a member of this Meeting now temporarily sojourning in North-Carolina, has requested a certificate of her right of membership in our Society addressed to Springfield Monthly Meeting. Ruth S. Wood and Susan Taber, are appointed to take such action in the case as may seem best and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The joint Committee appointed in the 8mo. 1869 to visit the Meeting held in Rochester, have presented the following report viz

The Committee appointed to visit Rochester Meeting report. That some of their number have frequently attended that Meeting to good satisfaction. The Members and others who worship with them at that house, manifest a concern for the Meeting to be held in an orderly and consistent manner. The First day School is well attended, and is having a great influence in that neighborhood, and is deserving the encouragement of Friends.

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In behalf of the Committee Charles R. Tucker, Rufus Sherman, Ezra Kelley, Susan G. Hempton and Edward Cillingham, which is acceptable to this Meeting, and the Committee are now released from further service. Susan Knowles having resided for some time within the limits of Providence Monthly Meeting, we appoint Sarah M. Anthony and Betty C. Howland to prepare should no objection appear a removal certificate on her behalf; addressed to that Meeting, and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

Our friend William C. Taber and his daughter Susan Taber, returned at this time the Minute granted them last Month to attend the Yearly Meeting in North Carolina. They have also presented returning Minutes from that Meeting, which with the accounts given have been satisfactory to us. The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Anna C. Word.

Clerk.

12mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 12th mo. 22nd 1890. The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rhoda T. Gifford and Mary C. Baylies, for Longplain Susan G. Hempton and Sarah D. King. Present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason is given.

Our beloved friend Mark Anthony attended this Meeting, presenting a Minute of unity from Swansea Monthly Meeting. His company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to sign an inclosurement

12 mo- in his Minute, conformable to the above.

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The joint committee upon the request of Rebecca S. Howland wife of Boston Howland, that she, and their five minor children, viz Thomas H. Abby S. John S. Rebecca S. and Alice H. Howland, might be received into membership, have presented the following report viz.

Agreeably to our appointment, we have visited Rebecca S. Howland, and her five minor children viz Thomas H. Abby S. John S. Rebecca S. and Alice H. Howland to good satisfaction. She expressed her conviction of the truth of our principles and we believe her request, is from a sense of duty to herself and children. She also expressed a hope, with which we unite, that in becoming a member of our Religious Society, she may receive an increase of strength and encouragement for the duties of life.

All which we submit.

Matthew Howland
Edmund Wood
Susan G. Kimpton

Chew Bedford 12mo 20. 1870. Dorcas S. Tucker.
Which report being considered it united with and they are accordingly received as members of our Society, and Phibe S. Delano is appointed to give them the information.

The committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate for Eunice Ray, have presented one, which is approved by this and the Men's Meeting, and is directed to be signed and forwarded.

The friends to whom was referred the request of Hannah P. Gifford, for a minute of sojourn addressed to Springfield Monthly Meeting N. Carolina after conference with her, have prepared a removal certificate on her behalf, which is approved in concurrence with Men's Friends, and directed to be signed and forwarded.

The friends appointed last month for that purpose, have presented a removal certificate addressed to Providence Monthly Meeting on behalf

12 mo = of Susan Knutes, which being approved in con-
 1890. currence with the Men's Meeting, is directed to be
 signed by the Clerk and forwarded.

The Meeting then in joint-session, proceeded to the
 consideration of the subject introduced by reading
 the following extract from the Minutes of our last
 Yearly Meeting.

'The Meeting was introduced into an exercise
 on behalf of those who have been in membership
 with us, but on various accounts have lost that
 right, and also for the descendants of such, and
 for other non-members, who manifest an attach-
 ment to Friends, by attending our Meetings;—
 and under a belief that a responsibility rests
 upon us, and a religious duty is required towards
 such, Monthly Meetings were encouraged to
 appoint committees to visit them in the spirit
 of gathering and restoring love, and labor with
 them, in the ability afforded, in order to bring
 them into the bosom of the Church, manifesting the
 solicitude of Moses towards Hobab, his brother in law,
 witnessed by the kind invitation, "Come thou
 with us, and we will do thee good; for the Lord
 hath spoken good concerning Israel."

After full deliberation, the Meeting very feelingly
 united in the appointment of a committee
 to visit and confer with the class of individuals
 referred to, the following friends viz, Sarah H.
 Anthony, Thos S Delano, Susan Taber, Rebecca
 C. Grinnell, Lydia Ricketson, Sarah Jane Taber
 Ruth S. Wood, Hannah S. Wing, Dorcas F.
 Tucker, Rachel S. Howland, Eliza C. Davis,
 and Anna G. Wood, are appointed to act in
 conjunction with a similar committee from
 the Men's Meeting and report when ready.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished
 we conclude.

Anna G. Wood
 Clerk.

1mo-1871. New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends Friendly held 1mo-23rd-1871. The representatives for New-Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ann H. Dumbauld and Mary H. Randall, for Long Plain, Lemisa B. Coven and Lydia A. Kicketson, who are present except one.

Phoebe S. Delane reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Rebecca S. Howland and her children.

The committee appointed in the Eleventh month to visit Anne R. Arthing on account of her request to be received into membership have presented the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Agreeably to our appointment we have called upon Anne R. Arthing and had a very satisfactory interview with her. We believe her to be convinced of the principles held by Friends, and strongly attached to them—said under an impression of duty she had long felt, she made application to become a member, and since submitting it to the consideration of her friends, had enjoyed sweet peace of mind.

Sarah A. Holmes

New Bedford 1mo 23-1871. Rachel S. Howland which report has been accepted by this Meeting, New Friends uniting therewith, and she is accordingly received as a member of our Society, and Rhoda S. Wood is appointed to give her the information.

An excellent epistle from our dear sisters of New York Yearly Meeting, has been read to our comfort and encouragement at this time.

We unite with our Friends in receiving Pilgrimage and Edward F. A. Coven as members of our Religious Society.

The report of the Auditors showing the distribution of the income of the Charitable fund of our late friend Abram Shearman Jr. has been read and accepted, and the same committee (with the exception of our dear friend Rhoda H. Taber

deceased, and the addition of Susan Taber) has been re-appointed for the ensuing year. The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood -
Clerk.

2mo. 1871 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 2mo. 23d. 1871. The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Elvira King and Sarah Jane Taber, for Long Plain. Rebecca S. Delano and Nancy B. Dillingham. All present. Ruth S. Wood informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Anne R. Anthony. An interesting epistle from our dear sister of Baltimore yearly mg. has been read at this time. A proposition was received from the Men's Meeting that a joint committee be appointed to prepare Committee and present to us, as may may open for it, or Testimonies concerning any of our members deceased, Memorials whose lives have been remarkable for piety and virtue. This proposal has been united with and the following friends are appointed to this service, viz. Anna G. Wood, Rachel S. Howland, Gulielma W. Howland, Susan Taber and Rebecca C. Gunnell. We are informed by Men Friends that a concern has arisen in their Meeting, on behalf of the inmates of the Jail and House of Correction in this city. Upon consideration we are also united in the appointment of a Committee to consider with them the claims of these people, in their unhappy and destitute condition, and report what action if any, is desirable on our part, for Committee their improvement and help. We appoint Dorcas F. Tucker, Sarah A. Holmes, Rhoda T. Gifford, Jail and Horannah Sears, Rachel S. Howland & Anna G. Wood (House of for this purpose, to report to a future Meeting). Correction. The business of the Meeting being finished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood - Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of American Friends held 3d. mo. 23d. 1871. The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rebecca Church & Lydia T. Holland, for Long Plain Betsy Hillard, and Susan S. Tripp - who are all present. The Queries with answers thereto have been read in this Meeting, and a Summary prepared from the answers, which with an account we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, by our representatives, who are Ruth Army, Mary C. Bennett, Betsy Hillard and Ann H. Dumas.

We are informed through Long Plain Preparative Meeting that Alice Howard (late Hillard) has married inconsistently with the rules of our Discipline. We accordingly appoint Elvira C. Davis, and Betsy P. Wood, to visit her on the account and report to a future Meeting.

A similar complaint having been presented through New Bedford Preparative Meeting against Harriet Bacon (late Tripp) we appoint Ruth S. Wood and Dorcas F. Tucker to communicate with her and report the result to a future Meeting.

Testimony An interesting Testimony respecting our dear deceased friend Rhoda H. Taber, has been read. R. H. Taber and much unity having been expressed therein with us this and the Men's Meeting, the Clerks are directed to sign and forward it to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

The joint committee appointed last month to consider the condition of the and claims of the inmates of the jail, the House of Correction and the Alms House in this City, reported at this time. The report is accepted and the recommendations are approved, and the same Committee are continued to act herein, in accordance with the original Minute upon this concern, and the suggestions contained in the report. They are requested to give an account of their service from time to time as may may open.

We unite with Men's Friends in receiving Joseph Tripp into membership with our Religious Society.

4mo
1891

* The business of the Meeting being finished
we conclude.

Anna G. Wood - Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 4mo 27th 1891. The representatives for
New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sarah G. Taber
and Ruth Almy, for Long Plain Betsy G. Wood
and Lydia A. Richardson, who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting
report that they all attended.

We are informed through New Bedford Prepar-
ative Meeting, that Elizabeth Metcher, has
requested to be admitted into membership with us.

We appoint Sarah H. Anthony and Anna
G. Wood to visit her on the account and report
to a future Meeting.

The friends appointed last month to make
the usual inquiries in the case of Elvira
Brig report, that they find nothing to prevent
her proceeding in marriage with Jacob Chace
and they having presented to our last Monthly
Meeting a written declaration of their intention
of taking each other in marriage, are allowed
to accomplish the same according to the good
order of our Society. At the request of the
parties, a meeting is appointed to be held at
the house of Lucy Carling on County St. this
afternoon at three o'clock for the accomplishment
of the marriage, and we appoint Nancy B.
Dillingham and Anna G. Wood, to have the
oversight thereof, and report to our next
Monthly Meeting.

* Jacob Chace and Elvira Brig having informed this meet-
ing of their intention of marriage with each other,
Rhoda L. Gifford and Anna G. Wood are appointed to
take the necessary care in the case, and report to a
future Meeting.

8 New Bedford Mrs. M^r of Friends

Believing fully in the principles of
your religious Society - I feel it right to ask to be
admitted a member thereof, should it meet
your approval

-Elizabeth - Ketcher-

New Bedford

4th mo 20th 1871



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The committee appointed to visit Alice Howland (late Wilbur) on account of her deviation in marriage have presented the following report, viz.

To the Monthly Meeting -

Agreeably to our appointment we have visited Alice Howland late Wilbur on account of her deviation in marriage. She received us in a sweet christian spirit, and expressed an earnest wish to be retained a member, in which we believe her to be sincere, and submit the case to the Monthly Meeting -

Elvira C. Davis

Acushnet 4 mo. 20th. 1871. Betsey J. Wood which report has been accepted Men Friends uniting themselves and she is accordingly retained a member of our Religious Society, and Susan G. Kempton is appointed to inform her of the judgment of this Meeting.

We unite with the Men's Meeting in retaining Cornelius A. Howland (husband of the above) in membership with us.

We are informed by the Men's Meeting that our esteemed friend Edward G. Dillingham, proposes to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting of New York, as companion to our friend William P. Macomber. This Meeting unite in liberating him for that service, and the clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Mens Meeting, in furnishing him with a Minute of concurrence.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude -

Anna C. Wood

Clerk.

5 month. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends
 1871. Friends held 5th mo. 25th 1871. The representatives
 for New Bedford Separative Meeting are Mary C.
 Baylies and Sarah Wing, for Long Plain, Elvira
 L. Davis and Sarah D. Wing - all present.
 Susan G. Kempton reports that she has attend-
 ed to her appointment in the case of Alice
 Howland.

The friends appointed to have the oversight
 of the marriage of Jacob Chase & Elvira Wing
 report that it was conducted in an orderly
 manner.

We have received through New Bedford
 Separative Meeting the following requests from
 Mary M. Bayley wife of Cornelius Bayley,
 and their daughter Elizabeth Bayley, for
 admission into membership with us.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting -
 Dear friends.

Being joined in belief with you,
 I would like also to be joined in membership
 with you - Mary M. Bayley

5 mo - 14th - 1871.

Feeling in accordance with the
 religious views held by Friends, I would
 request of them to be admitted a member of
 the Society. Elizabeth Bailey.

Which being considered we appoint Anna
 H. Dumbear, Ruth S. Wood and Rachel S.
 Howland, to visit them on the account, and
 report to a future Meeting.

The committee appointed in the Third mo.
 to visit Harriet Bacon (late Trapp) on account
 of her deviation in marriage, have presented
 the following report viz.

We have conferred with Harriet Bacon
 late Trapp on account of her deviation in mar-
 riage; and although situated out of the im-
 mediate neighborhood of Friends, she still
 manifests much interest in our Society, and
 earnest wish to be retained a member;

1871. which we submit to the Meeting).

Sarah L. Wood

New Bedford 5mo. 23. 1871. Dorcas F. Tucker.

which report has been accepted by this Meeting
 Men friends uniting themselves, and she is ac-
 cordingly received a member of our Society,
 and Anna G. Wood is appointed to give her
 the information.

The committee to whom was referred the
 case of Elizabeth Netcher, have presented the
 accompanying report - viz

to the Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed to visit Elizabeth
 Netcher on account of her request report, that
 they have attended thereto, and have had
 a satisfactory interview with her.

She manifested a sincere attachment to the
 principles of our Society, and her heart seem-
 ed overflowing with Christian love. With
 feelings favorable to her request, we submit
 the case to the judgment of the Monthly
 Meeting -

Sarah H. Truham

Anna G. Wood

New Bedford 5mo. 23. 1871.

which report has been united with by this
 and the Men's Meeting, and she is accor-
 E. Netcherdingly received into membership with us,
 received and Sylvia G. Howland is appointed to
 inform her of the decisions of this Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being finished
 we conclude -

Anna G. Wood

Clerk.

6 mo.
1871.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends
Friends held Oct. 22nd. 1871. The representa-
tives for New Bedford Separative Meeting
are Anne R. Anthony and Rebecca A. Tristram,
for Long Plain Mary Ann Long and Eliza P.
Young who are all present.

Anne E. Wood informs that she has attend-
ed to her appointment in the case of Harriet
L. Brown.

Sylvia L. Howland reports that she has in-
formed Elizabeth Dutcher that she is a member
of our Religious Society.

Our beloved friends Edith Griffith from Salem
Monthly Meeting Ohio, Edward C. Young from
Goshen Monthly Meeting Ohio, Sarah Gistley from
Adrian Monthly Meeting Michigan, and Garrison
A. Grinnell from New York Monthly Meeting
Tennessee, attended this Meeting each pre-
senting satisfactory testimonials from their
respective Meetings, expressive of unity, with
their ministry and present religious engage-
ments, their company and ardent labors
have been acceptable to us.

Our esteemed friends Amos Griffith and
Edith Griffith companion to his wife Edith Griffith
William Gistley companion to his wife Sarah
Gistley, Elizabeth W. Young companion to
her husband Edward C. Young and Fredyce
Grinnell companion to his father Garrison
A. Grinnell - also attended this Meeting,
with Minutes of concurrence from their
respective Meetings. Their company has been
satisfactory to us, and the Clerk is desirous to
write with the Clerk of the Men's Meeting,
in signing indentments on their Certificates.
The Queries with answers to the First, Second
and Third from each of our Separative Orgs.
have been read in this, and a summary
compiled from the answers, which we forward
to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends,
Elizabeth Cannon, Sylvia L. Howland,

1871. Ruth S. Wood and Henry B. Cillingham
whom we appoint our representatives.
The vote with Mrs. Fernald in admitting
Jonathan S. Gifford & Franklin H. Hurland
as members of our Society.

The committee appointed to visit Mary H.
Bayley on account of her request to be
admitted into membership, have presented
the following report in

The committee appointed to visit Mary H.
Bayley on account of her request to become
a member of our Society, report that we have
had a satisfactory interview with her,
and are united in believing, that she is
convinced of the principles of Unitarianism
that her request was made judiciously.

Wm. H. Wood 1871.

Sam. H. Cillingham
Ruth S. Wood
which has been accepted by this Meeting.

The same committee have made a
similar report in the case of her daughter
Elizabeth Bayley, which has also been
accepted, and having the concurrence of Mrs.
Fernald in both cases, they are received as
members of our Society, and Jonathan S.
Gifford is appointed to give them the
information.

The business of the Meeting being finished
we conclude.

Mrs. C. Wood
Clerk.

4mo
1871. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
Friends held 7th mo. 24-1871.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Susan Seabury and Sophia Ricketson, for Long Plain Anna A. Macomber and Rebecca A. Gifford - all present. The assistant clerk being absent, Mary C. Baylies is appointed to that service for the day. Rhoda T. Gifford reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Mary M. and Elizabeth Bayley.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting inform that they all attended.

We have received through New Bedford Preparative Meeting the following request from Holden Howland & his wife Almy S. Howland

To the New Bedford Monthly Mng of Friends.
Having long attended your Meetings of worship and feeling interested in the principles of the Society, we now as husband and wife, request to become members, if we are found worthy to be accepted.

Holden Howland

Almy S. Howland.

We accordingly appoint Sarah H. Anthony and Helly C. Howland to unite with a similar committee from the Men's Meeting to visit them on the account, and report at a future time.

The time having expired for which the Clerks of this Meeting were appointed, Anna G. Wood is reappointed Clerk until the Fourth mo. of next year. The assistant clerk being absent, no appointment will be made until next mo.

The time having also expired for which the Overseers and Overseers of the Poor were appointed, we are united in the re-appointment of the same friends who served last year, viz. Rhoda T. Gifford, Rebecca C. Grinnell, and Sarah M. Howland for New Bedford Preparative Meeting for Long Plain; Eliza C. Davis,

1871. Lydia H. Dexter and Thibe S. Delano; for Nantucket Lydia Swain.

The Officers of the Town for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are, Mary C. Baylies Thibe Howland and Thibe Secum; for Long Plain, Mary Ann Lewis, Susan S. Tripp and Betsy Hillas; for Nantucket, Sarah Swain.

The annual report of the committee having charge of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School has been read and is acceptable to us.

A removal certificate from Philadelphia Monthly Meeting for the Northern district on behalf of Lydia H. Wood, has been read and accepted in concurrence with our Friends, and Sarah H. Anthony and Eulielma W. Howland are appointed to visit her on the account.

We have received a communication from our late Quarterly Meeting held at Falmouth, recommending the appointment of a few friends to unite with a committee from that Meeting, to visit subordinate Meetings and individuals, and to labor as ability may be afforded in Christendom, to advance the cause of Truth amongst us. In accordance therewith we appoint Lydia Ricketson & Sarah A. Holmes, to unite with the committee under appointment, in the service above named.

By an extract from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting we are encouraged to assist our dear friends in Kansas in the erection of a Meeting house, which is intended to accommodate the New Yearly Meeting, to be established there, and Anna G. Wood & Eulielma W. Howland are appointed to receive subscriptions for that object.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood

Clerk.

8th mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women-
1871. Friends held 8th mo. 24. 1871. The representatives
for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth
S. Wood and Sarah Jane Taber, for Long Plain
Nancy B. Dillingham and Lydia A. Rickerson
Present except one for whose absence a satis-
fying reason was assigned.

The assistant Clerk being absent, Susan Taber
is appointed to that service for the day.

The committee appointed to visit Lydia H.
Wood, on account of the reception of her certificate
report that they have attended there.

The assistant Clerk still being absent, no
appointment will be made until a future time.

The business of the meeting being finished
we conclude -

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 9th mo. 28. 1871. The representatives for New
Bedford Preparative Meeting are Anne H.
Anthony and Sophia Rickerson, for Long Plain
Betsey S. Wood, and Betsey Hillard, all present.

Sarah M. Howland the assistant Clerk, having
requested to be released from that service, Anne
H. Dunbar ~~and~~ Sarah H. Anthony and Rhoda
T. Gifford, are appointed to bring forward the
name of some friend suitable to fill that
station, and present to our next Monthly Mng.

The Queries with answers to the First, Second,
and Tenth from each of our Preparative Mngs.
have been read in this, and a summary
prepared from the answers, which we forward
to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, by our friends
Frank Howland, Ruth S. Wood, Mary C. Baylies
and Betsey S. Wood, whom we appoint our
representatives.

9mo
1871.

We are informed through New Bedford Separative Meeting, that Sally W. Howland requests to become a member of our Religious Society. We submit her request. To New Bedford Monthly Mng. of Friends.
Dear friends.

It is from a sense of duty (I trust), that I now ask to be received into membership with your Religious Society, should it meet your approbation.

Sally W. Howland

New Bedford 9mo 21-1871.

We appoint our friends Rachel S. Howland and Anna G. Wood to visit her on the account, and report to a future Meeting.

The joint Committee appointed to visit Holden Howland and his wife Mary S. Howland, on account of their request have presented the following report - viz. To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to our appointment we have visited Holden Howland and his wife Mary Howland on account of their request to be admitted members of this Meeting to great satisfaction, believing them to be sincere in taking this important step, and we are united in recommending that their request be granted.

Sarah H. Anthony

Charles K. Tucker

Hetty E. Howland

James B. Longdon

New Bedford 9mo 15-1871.

which has been accepted by this & the Men's Mng. and they are received as members of our Society, & we appoint Ruth S. Wood to inform them of our decision.

An interesting report from the Committee on the subject of Education has been read & accepted, & the same committee are reappointed to that service who served last year viz. Mary B. Bradford, Mary Gifford, Mary Ann Thwing, Ruth S. Wood, Sylvia G. Howland, Rhoda S. Gifford, Mary C. Baylies, Rebecca C. Gunnell, Susan Taber, Susan S. Kipp, Sarah Jane Taber, Nancy B. Dillingham & Anna G. Wood. The name of Hannah S. Wing has been substituted for that of Rebecca C. Church, who has been removed by death.

The business of the

Meeting being closed we conclude -

Anna G. Wood

16 mo. - At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
1871 held 10th mo. 26 - 1871. The representatives for
New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth Almy
and Ruth S. Wood, for Long Plain, Ann A.
Macomber and Azubah Cannon - who are all present.

The committee appointed to select a suitable
friend to serve the Meeting as assistant Clerk,
have proposed the name of Susan Taber, which
being united with she is appointed to that service
until Fourth month next.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting,
report their attendance at that time.

Ruth S. Wood reports that she has attended to
her appointment - in the case of Almy S. Howland.

The committee appointed to visit Sally W.
Howland, on account of her request to be
received into membership, have presented the
following report, viz.

To the Monthly Meeting

According to our appointment we have visited
Sally W. Howland on account of her request to
be received into membership. Our interview
was a satisfactory one, and we believe that her
attachment to the principles of our Society is
sincere, and that her request has been made
from an impression of religious duty.

With feelings favorable to } Anna G. Woods
her request, we submit the } Rachel S. Howland
case to the judgment of
the Monthly Meeting.

New Bedford 10 mo. 26 - 1871.

which report has been accepted by this Meeting
Men Friends concurring therein, and she is
accordingly united in membership with us,
and Dorcas S. Tucker is appointed to give her
the information.

We have received through New Bedford Prepara-
tive Meeting the following request from Mary C.
Kirby. To New Bedford Monthly Mtg. of Friends.
Dear friends.

1871. Believing it to be my religious duty, to make profession of Religion in accordance with the views of Friends, as far as I understand them, and to assemble for Divine worship with them, I hereby request to be admitted a member of your Religious Society.

Mary C. Kirby.

which having claimed our consideration, we appoint Ruth S. Wood and Rhoda T. Gifford to visit her on the account and report to a future Meeting.

Our beloved friend Sarah Ellen Barney, attended this Meeting, presenting a certificate of unity from Chena Monthly Cong. State of Maine, her company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Our dear friend Peter K. Eastland also attended this Meeting as companion to Sarah E. Barney, presenting a satisfactory testimonial from Durham Monthly Meeting. Her company has been acceptable to us - and the Club is directed to unite with the Club of the Men's Meeting in signing indorsements on their certificates conformable to the above.

The business of the Meeting being finished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood - Clerk.

At New Bedford ^{Mo. Cong.} of Women Friends held 11th mo 23. 1871. The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sarah Jane Taber and Deborah Taber, for Long Plain, Nancy B. Dillingham and Betsey G. Wood - who are all present. In the absence of the Clerks Dorcas F. Tucker is appointed Clerk and Mary C. Baylies, a assistant Clerk for the day.

The Queries with answers to the First, Second and Tenth from our Preparative Meetings, and a summary compiled therefrom, which with an account to the Quarterly Meeting, are forwarded by our friends Lydia H. Wood, Ann H. Dunbar,

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41mo. Mary C. Baylis, Gulielma H. Howland, and
1871. Susan L. Tupper who are appointed our representatives.

The committee appointed to visit Mary C. Kirby
on account of her request to be received into mem-
bership have presented the following report - viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to visit Mary C. Kirby,
on account of her request to become a member
of our Society report - That we have had an interview
with her on the subject to good satisfaction, and
are united in believing she has made the request
from a feeling of religious duty.

Which we submit to the Meeting.

Rhoda T. Gifford

Ruth S. Wood.

With mo 20- 1871.

which has been accepted by this and the Men's
Meeting, and she is accordingly received into
membership. Ruth S. Wood is appointed to give
her the information.

Dorcas F. Tucker informs that she has attended
to her appointment in the case of Sally W.
Howland.

The business of the Meeting being closed
we conclude.

Dorcas F. Tucker, Clerk for the day.

A New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 12mo 28th - 1871. The representatives for New
Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sylvia G. Howland
and Rhoda T. Gifford, for Long Plain, Betsy S.
Wood and Susan L. Tupper - all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting were all
in attendance except one, who was prevented from being
present by indisposition.

Ruth S. Wood informs that she has attended to
her appointment in the case of Mary C. Kirby.

12mo
1871. One beloved friend Silas H. Cardman and his wife
Lydia A. Cardman, attended this Meeting, presenting
certificates of unity from Limerick Monthly Me-
eting, their company and Gospel labors have been
acceptable to us, and the Clerk is at liberty to unite
with the Clerk of the Men's Meeting, in signing in-
struments on their certificates conformable to the above.

A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Me-
eting on behalf of Sylvia R. House has been read and ac-
cepted in concurrence with Men Friends, and Nancy
Wm. P. B. Dillingham is appointed to visit her on the account.
Howard Jr. He unite with the Men's Meeting in releasing William
P. Howard Jr. from his right of membership with us.

A removal certificate for Eliza Chase wife of Jacob
Chase, addressed to Rhode Island Monthly Meeting
having been requested, Anna G. Wood and Isaac
H. Tucker, are appointed to prepare one on her behalf,
and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

A lively and interesting Epistle from our dear sisters
of Iowa Yearly Meeting has been acceptably read
at this time.

The business of the Meeting being finished, we
conclude -

Anna G. Wood. Clerk.

1mo-
1872 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 1mo - 23 - 1872. The representatives for New
Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth Almy and
Sophia Ricketson, for Long Plain, Ann A. Macomber
and Rebecca Gifford - who are all present.

Nancy B. Dillingham informs that she has attend-
ed to the appointment in the case of Sylvia R. House.

The committee under appointment to prepare a
removal certificate for Eliza Chase wife of Jacob Chase,
addressed to Rhode Island Monthly Meeting, have
presented one at this time, which has been approved
and accepted in concurrence with Men Friends,
and is directed to be signed and forwarded on
our behalf.

10mo - 1872 Interesting and acceptable epistles from our dear Sisters of Indiana and Western Yearly Meetings, have been read at this time. The business of the Meeting being closed we conclude -

Anna G. Wood - Clerk.

20mo - 1872 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 2nd. mo. 22nd - 1872. The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Hannah Lund and Ruth S. Wood - for Long Plain Sarah B. Sted. and Susan S. Shipp - who are all present.

An interesting epistle from our dear Sisters of Canada Yearly Meeting has been read at this time.

General Meetings The subject of holding General Meetings for Divine Worship, and for the instruction and edification of the Church, and for the spread of the Gospel of Christ, in different parts of the Yearly Meeting, was introduced and considered in a joint-session of Men and Women Friends, and after a free interchange of sentiment, it was the judgment of the Meeting, that such Meetings might be beneficial when held in the power and authority of Truth, not only to our own members, but also to the community at large.

We refer this subject to the consideration of the Quarterly Meeting, and should it be united with by that Meeting, that a proposition embracing the concerns should be laid before the Yearly Meeting, asking its decision and sanction.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude -

Anna G. Wood

Clerk.

3mo 72 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women's
Friends held 3d mo 28th 1872. The representatives
for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sarah
M. Howland and Almy Howland, for Long Plain
Betsy Hillard and Nancy B. Dillingham - all present.

The queries with answers thereto have been read and
a summary prepared from the answers which being approved,
we forward with an account, to the ensuing Quarterly
Meeting by our friends Rebecca C. Ginnell, Susan S. Tapp
Sarah C. Anthony, Dorcas F. Tucker and Mary Ann
Wing, whom we appoint our representatives.)

A report has been received from the Men's Meeting
respecting Lydia S. Mitchell, which being considered,
we are united, having the concurrence of Men's Friends,
in recognizing her as a member of our religious society,
and Sarah M. Howland is named to inform her thereof.

— Charles S. Hinckman of Philadelphia and
Lydia S. Mitchell of Nantucket have through
New Bedford Preparative Meeting informed this
meeting by a written declaration of their intention
of taking each other in marriage, wherefore we appoint
Nathl Woods to make inquiry as to the clearness
of Lydia S. Mitchell to proceed in this engagement,
and report at an adjournment of the Monthly
Meeting to be held two weeks from this date.

The joint committee under appointment by this
meeting produced an interesting testimony respecting
our late beloved friend Susan Howland which has
been very fully united with by this, and the Men's
Meeting, and it is directed that it should be
signed, and forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

We are informed through Long Plain Preparative
Meeting that Edward C. Murray and his wife
Paulina C. have requested for themselves and their
minor son Edward C. Murray to be received into
membership with us. — The request is as follows.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.
Dear Friends — We have for some length of time
felt it a duty to become members of your religious
society if found worthy. We also request for our child
Edward C. Edward C. Murray. Acushnet 3rd mo 20-72
Paulina C. Murray.

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We appoint Dorcas F. Tucker and Nancy B. Chillingham to write with a similar committee from the next meeting, and to visit them on the account, and report to a future meeting. The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

4mo -

At an adjournment of New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 4th mo 11-1872

Sarah M. Andrus informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Lydia S. Mitchell.

The friend appointed last month to make the usual inquiries in respect to Lydia S. Mitchell reports that she finds nothing to prevent her proceeding in marriage with Charles S. Hinchman.

A certificate on account of marriage from Philadelphia Monthly Meeting of Friends for the Western District on his behalf has been received and read.

The written consent of Margaret S. Hinchman, mother of Charles S. Hinchman, has also been pronounced and read. The parties are now left at liberty to solemnize their marriage according to the good order of our Society, at the house of Matthew Barney at Nantucket on the 23^d inst at 8 o'clock.

Abby Barney and Lydia Swaine are appointed to have the oversight of the marriage and report to our next Monthly Meeting. The clerk is directed to inform them of their appointment.

Anna G. Wood Clerk

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Womens
Friends held 4th mo. 25 - 1872

The representatives to attend this meeting for
New Bedford preparative Meeting are Harviah Sears
and Sophia Ricketson for Long Plain, Batsley-
P. Wood, and Mary S. Glass. Present except two
for the absence of one of which a satisfactory reason
is assigned.

We are informed that the representatives to
the Quarterly Meeting were all in attendance at
that time. - An interesting Epistle from our
dear sisters of Ohio Yearly Meeting, has been
read and is acceptable to us.

The following extract from the will of our
late dear friend Susan Howland has been re-
ceived from the executors and read at this time.

"I give and bequeath to the 'New Bedford
Monthly Meeting of Friends' - One Thousand
Dollars to be invested and held by it in trust:
the income of which shall be given to Ministers
of the Gospel in the Society of Friends, travelling
thence away, who may need assistance; the amount
given, and the person, and persons to whom given,
shall be at the discretion of the Overseers of said
New Bedford Monthly Meeting."

Upon consideration we unite with the Men's
Meeting in accepting this trust, and the Overseers
of the Men's and Women's Meeting are authorized
to disburse the income arising therefrom in
accordance with the will of the donor.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Amos G. Wood
Clerk.

5mo 72 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 5th mo 23rd 1872 The representatives
to attend this Meeting are for New Bedford
Phoebe Howland and Rhoda T. Liffords for
Long Plain Azubah Cannon and Betsey G. Wood
present except two. for the absence ^{one of} whom a
sufficient reason was assigned.
The Committee appointed in the Third Month
to visit Edward and Paulina C. Murray
on account of their request for themselves and their
infant child Edward C. have presented the fol-
lowing report.

To the Monthly Meeting.

In accordance with our appointment we
have visited Edward C. and Paulina C. Murray
on account of their request to be received as members
of our religious Society.

They both seemed truly desirous to be rightly
directed and we believe that their request for them-
selves and their infant son Edward C. is from a
sense of religious duty.

New Bedford

5th mo. 16 - 1872.

Edward G. Dillingham

Gideon Woods

Nancy B. Dillingham

Which report having been accepted by this and
mens Meeting, they are received as members
of our Religious Society, & Rachel T. Howland
is appointed to inform Paulina C. Murray
of the judgements of this Meeting.

We have received through New Bedford
Preparative Meeting, the following request
from Charles W. Crapo & his wife Elizabeth W.
Crapo for themselves and their three minor
children to be admitted into membership.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

The Master says - "Go work in my vineyard",
My heart responds - I will go and work while
the day lasts. I have come to the conclusion
(not suddenly) that it is my place to work
with the Friends. If chosen in the judgment
of this Meeting I am accounted worthy, and

there is nothing in the way, it is my request to be
received as a member. My wife also joins with
me in this request. My three minor children,
Elizabeth, Sarah and Herbert led me here. I wish
also to detain them.

Charles W. Crago.

Elizabeth W. Crago.

New Bedford 5 Nov. 16. 1872.

We accordingly appoint Elizabeth W. Howland
Rhoda T. Gifford and Anna G. Wood, to unite
with a similar Committee from the Mens Meeting
to visit them on the account, & report to a future
Meeting.

The time having expired for which the
Clerks of this Meeting were appointed, Anna G. Wood
is reappointed Clerk and Susan Taber, assistant
Clerk for the ensuing year, or until another
appointment.

We have received a communication from
Mary P. Nye, which is as follows.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Having become interested in a Religious Society
more congenial to my feelings, I respectfully ask
my dismissal from membership in the Society
of Friends.

New Bedford

Mary P. Nye.

5 Nov. 14. 1872.

We therefore appoint Ruth S. Wood and
Susan Taber to visit her on the account, and
report to a future Meeting.

We unite with Richard Davis jr. - New
Friends in retaining Richard Davis jr. a member
of our Religious Society.

The business of the Meeting being finished
we conclude.

Anna G. Wood. Clerk.

6mo. 72 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6mo- 27- 1872. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Thos. B. Houghton & Ruth Almy, from Long Plain, Sarah B. Shade & Nancy B. Dillingham, all present. This joint committee under appointment to visit Charles W. Crago and his wife, on account of their request for themselves and their three minor children have presented the following report viz - To the Monthly Meeting. Agreeable to our appointment we have visited Charles W. Crago & his wife Eliza T. & their three minor children viz Eliza T. H., Sally & Herbert Crago on account of their request to become members of our Religious Society. Our visit with them was to us a very pleasant & satisfactory one - They appear convinced of the principles held by Friends & we believe it is their desire to be received into membership with us, which we submit to the judgment of the Meeting. Rufus Treasman Josiah Holmes Jr.

6mo 27. 1872. Anna G. Wood. Rhoda J. Gifford.
which has been accepted by this & the next Meetings, and they are accordingly received into membership with us, and we appoint Ruth Almy to inform Elizabeth W. Crago of the judgment of this meeting.

Sylvia G. Crocker, having for some time resided within the limits of Sandwich Monthly Meeting, we appoint Sylvia G. Howland and Rhoda J. Gifford to prepare a removal certificate on her behalf, and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

Rachel S. Howland informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Paulina E. Murray.

The Queries with answers to the first, second & tenth from each of our Preparative Meetings have been read in this and a summary prepared from the answers, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, by our friends Susan S. Trapp, Susan Taber, Mary C. Baylis and Mary Ann Long whom we appoint our representatives.

The committee appointed to visit Mary P. Nye, on account of her request, to be no

longer continued a member of our Religious Society,
have presented the following report viz -

To the Monthly Meeting -

According to our appointment we have
visited Mary S. Nye - on account of her request to
be released from membership with us. She
expressed much kindly feeling towards our Society,
and said it was quite a trial to leave it, but
she had become much interested in the attend-
ance of meetings of another Society, and after
carefully weighing the subject, she believed it
would be right for her to join it. Although
we regret to lose her from amongst us, especially
while her heart is filled with a fresh sense of
her Saviors love, - still she seemed settled in
her own mind in regard to it, and we believe
she is sincere in her request -

Rachel S. Wood

6mo 12 - 1872.

Susan Taber

which has been accepted by this and the Mens
Meeting, and she is accordingly released from
membership with us, and Rachel S. Howland is
appointed to inform her of our decision.

Our beloved friends Daniel Hill from Clear
Creek Monthly Meeting Ohio, and Lewis Bedell
from Pikesville Monthly and Marie Parton
Quarterly Meeting are present with us at this
time, and have presented satisfactory testimo-
nials from their respective Meetings, expressive of
unity with their ministry and present religious
engagements. Their company and Gospel labors
have been acceptable to us, and the clerk
is left at liberty to unite with the Clerk of the
Mens Meeting in signing indorsements on
their certificates conformable to the above.

The business of the Meeting being
finished we conclude.

Anna C. Wood Clerk.

Jan. 72. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held Jan. 25: 1872. The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Lydia J. Howland & Elizabeth Bailey - for Long Plains Rebecca A. Gifford and Betsy G. Wood. Present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason is assigned.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting were all in attendance except one, who was prevented from being present, by circumstances in her family.

We are informed through New Bedford Preparative Meeting that Lydia G. Allen & Deborah W. Gifford have resided for a length of time within the limits of Dartmouth Monthly Meeting without certificates. We therefore appoint Anna G. Wood & Ruth Almy to prepare one for each and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

Ruth Almy informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Elizabeth V. Capo.

The committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate addressed to Sandwich Monthly Meeting for Sylvia G. Crocker, have presented one which has been approved & accepted in concurrence with Men Friends and is directed to be signed and forwarded on our behalf.

The time having expired for which the Overseers and Overseers of the poor of this Meeting were appointed, we are united in reappointing the same Friends who served last year, with the exception of Phoebe S. Delano and Eliza C. Davis who request to be released, and the appointment in their stead of Susan S. Trapp & Betsy G. Wood. Their names are as follows. Rhoda T. Gifford Rebecca C. Grinnell & Sarah M. Howland, Overseers for New Bedford Preparative Meeting - Susan S. Trapp, Betsy G. Wood & Lydia C. Seyler for Long Plains - and Lydia Squire for Nantucket.

Overseers of the poor for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Mary C. Baylis, Phoebe

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Howland and Phoebe B. Stocum - for Long Plain
Mary Ann Wing, Susan S. Tripp and Betsy
Hillas - for Nantucket Sarah Swain.

The subject of holding a General Meeting for
Divine worship, as recommended by our last
Yearly Meeting, was brought before us at this time.
Men & Women's Meeting, being in joint session,
and after a free expression of views, on this
important subject, we were united in the appoint-
ment of the following Friends viz - Rachel S. Howland
Hannah Laid, Rebecca C. Grinnell, Rhoda S.
Gifford, Hetty E. Howland, Guilford W. Howland,
Susan Labeu, Lydia G. Howland, Almy Howland
Phoebe Howland, Mary C. Baylies & Anna G. Wood
to unite with a similar committee from the Men's
Meeting, to make the necessary application for
permission thereof, for upon a time, and make
all the necessary arrangements for that purpose.

The business of the Meeting being finished we concluded

Anna G. Wood

Clk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
Friends held 8mo 22-1872. The representatives for
New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rhoda Ann
Tripp and Hetty E. Howland, for Long Plain Betsy G.
Wood & Paulina B. Murray, who are all present.

Certificates of removal addressed to Dartmouth
Monthly Meeting for Lydia G. Allen and Deborah
W. Gifford, have been read and accepted in
concurrence with Men Friends, and are directed
to be signed and forwarded on our behalf.

We unite with Men Friends in receiving
Abram Delano, as a member of our Religious
Society.

The business of the Meeting being
accomplished we conclude -

Anna G. Wood

Clk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
9mo. 9th Friends held 9mo. 26. 1872 - The representatives
for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sylvia
G. Howland and Sophia Richerson, for Long Plain
Charlotte Cowen and Elizabeth H. Ussel -
who are present except one for whose absence
a satisfactory reason is assigned.

The Queries with answers to the First
Second & Tenth from each of our Preparative
Meetings have been read in this, and a Sum-
mary prepared from the answers, which we
forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting
by our Friends Sarah Stodd, Sarah A. Holmes
Mary B. Baylies, Hetty E. Howland and
Betsy G. Ussel, whom we appoint our
representatives.

The joint committee of Men & Women
Friends appointed in the Seventh month to
consider the subject of holding General
Meetings within our limits, have presented
a report which has been accepted by this
Meeting in concurrence with Men Friends, and
we cordially unite in the expression of thank-
fulness contained therein for the blessing
conferred upon us.

An Epistle from our dear Sisters of
New York Yearly Meeting for 1871 - has
been acceptably read at this time.

An interesting report from the Com-
mittee on Education, has been received
and read, and the further consideration
of the subject has been deferred until next
month.

The business of the Meeting being
finished we conclude -

Anna G. Ussel
Clerk

100 no. 72. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
Friends held 10th mo. 24th 1872.
The Clerks being absent, Rachel S. Woodard
and Ruth S. Wood were appointed to serve
the meeting, as clerk and assistant clerk
for the day.

The representatives from New Bedford
Preparative Meeting are Mary Bailey and
Ruth S. Wood, from Long Plain, Rebecca
A. Gifford and Sarah D. Wing, two of
whom were present, for the absence of one a
satisfactory reason is assigned.

The representatives to our late Quarterly
Meeting report that they all attended.

A certificate on account of marriage is
requested by Edward Winslow, addressed to
the Salem Monthly Meeting. This Meeting
unites with the Mens Meeting in granting it.
Our beloved friend Mary E. Bownman attended
this Meeting, and produced a certificate
from Rollin Monthly Meeting Michigan,
endorsed by Adrian Quarterly Meeting. Her
company and religious services have been
very acceptable to us.

Epistles from Women Friends of North
Carolina, Iowa and Canada Yearly Meetings,
have been read to our instruction and
encouragement.

A report from the joint Committee
upon the subject of Education, was read and
accepted in concurrence with Men Friends.

The clerk is directed to sign Mary E.
Bownmans certificate on our behalf.

Information has been received from
Sandwich Monthly Meeting of the acceptance
of our certificate on behalf of Sylvia G. Crocker
which is satisfactory to this Meeting.

No further business appearing we conclude

Rachel S. Woodard

Clerk for the day

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11mo. 42. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
Friends held 11mo. 28th 1872. The representatives
from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are
Hannah Leach and Sophia Richelson, for
Long Plain Nancy B. Dillingham and
Abulah Cannon, who are all present.

The Queries with answers to the First
Second & Tenth from each of our Preparative
Meetings, have been read in this, and a
Summary prepared from the answers, which
we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting
by our Friends, Mary Ann Eving, Sylvia C.
Howland, Dorcas F. Tucke, Phoebe Howland
and Sarah M. Howland, whom we appoint
our representatives.

A copy of the revised Discipline, has
been received since our last Yearly Meeting,
and in accordance with the direction of the
Yearly Meeting is adopted in this Meeting.

Thomas Lloyd & Gulielma Coffin,
having by a written declaration informed
this Meeting of their intention of marriage
with each other, we appoint, Rebecca C.
Grimmell and Sarah M. Howland to make
the necessary inquiries in the case and report
to our next Monthly Meeting.

Gulielma Coffin is not a member of our
Society, but in accordance with the directions
of the revised Discipline their proceedings
are allowed.

The subject of providing refreshments,
for Friends from a distance, who shall be
in attendance of the approaching Quarterly
Meeting having been proposed and united
with by this Meeting, Phoebe Howland
Mary C. Baylies, Gulielma W. Howland
& Susan Taber are appointed to take the
required care in the matter, and report
to the Monthly Meeting.

Anna G. Wood
Clerk.

12mo-72. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 12mo 26-1872 - The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mng. are Anne R. Anthony, and Hetty E. Howland, for Long Plains Charlotte Cowen and Ann A. Macomber, who are present except two.

The representatives to the Quarterly Mng. were all in attendance at that time.

The committee in the case of Guilhelma Coffin report, that they find nothing to prevent her proceeding in marriage with Thomas Wood a member of our meeting.

The written consent of the parents of each, has also been produced and read. The parties are therefore allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the good order of our Society; and our Friends Rachel S. Howland and Phoebe B. Hocutt, are appointed to unite with a similar committee from the Mens Meeting, to take the oversight thereof and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Sydney S. Hinchman having removed to reside with his husband, within the limits of Philadelphia Monthly Mng. for the Western District, and requesting our certificate, Rebecca L. Grinnell & Anna G. Wood are appointed to prepare one on his behalf and present to our next Monthly Mng.

We unite with Mens Friends in receiving a removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Mng. on behalf of George Almy, an member and elder of that meeting.

We also unite with the Mens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Salem Monthly Mng. on behalf of James Wood a member and elder of that Meeting.

A certificate from Frankford Monthly Mng. Pennsylvania, for Mary N. Wood wife of James Wood, has been read and accepted by this meeting, and Guilhelma W. Howland

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and Susan Taber are requested to call on her, on account of its reception.

The committee appointed to provide refreshments for friends from a distance in attendance of the Quarterly Mng. have presented a report which has been accepted by this Meeting, and the same committee are continued to act in cooperation with a similar committee from the Mens Meeting, in making arrangements for future needs.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood
Club

1mo. 73 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 1mo-23-73. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mng. are Sarah M. Howland and Mary Underhill, from Long Plain Rebecca A. Gifford and Betsy Willard, who are present except two.

The committee appointed last month to have the oversight of the marriage of Thomas Wood and Gulielma Coffin report, that it was accomplished in a becoming & orderly manner.

Gulielma W. Howland reports on behalf of the committee that they have attended to their appointment in the case of Mary W. Wood.

We have received through Long Plain Preparative Mng. a request from Benjamin W. Slade & his wife Mary A. H. Slade, to be admitted into membership with us, we accordingly appoint Ruth S. Wood, Susan S. Tripp & Anna G. Wood, to visit with a similar committee from the Mens Mng, to visit them on the account and report to a future Mng.

We unite with Men Friends in receiving Luther Bowman into membership with us.

The committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate for Lydia S. Hinckman wife of Charles S. Hinckman, have presented one at this time, which has been approved by this and the Mens Meeting and directed to be signed and forwarded by the Clerk.

No further business appearing, we conclude.

Anna G. Uroel. Clerk.

2mo. 73. At New Bedford Monthly Mng of Women Friends held 2mo - 27 - 1873. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mng. are Mary C. Baylies and Sarah M. Howland, for Long Plain Anna A Macomber & Betsy G. Uroel.

Our beloved Friend Rufus P. King attended this Meeting, producing a satisfactory Minute from Walnut Ridge Monthly Mng. introduced by Walnut Ridge Quarterly Mng. Indiana, his company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us, and the Clerk is at liberty to sign an indorsement on his certificate conformable to the above.

The joint committee appointed last month to visit Benjamin W. Slade and wife on account of their request, have presented the following report viz,

To the Monthly Meeting -

The committee appointed upon the request of Benjamin W. Slade and his wife Mary A. H. Slade to become members of our Society, report, that our visit to them was interesting, and in a good degree satisfactory. They expressed that they had derived comfort and help from being associated with Friends in Religious worship, and we believe them sincere in their request, and also that they are endeavoring to maintain a Christian life. We recommend

that they be received into membership.

Joshua Holmes Jr.

Jonathan Cunn

Susan S. Trapp

Jan 26. 1873.

Anna G. Wood.

which has been accepted by this and the
Men's Meeting, and they are accordingly
received into membership with us, and
Betsey P. Wood, Sarah Slade & Paulina
C. Murray are requested to inform May
A. H. Slade of the judgment of this Cong.

Although the time for which the
Officers of this Meeting were appointed
has not expired, yet that we may act
jointly with Men Friends, in accordance
with the provisions of the revised Discipline,
we appoint Susan Taber, Guilford W.
Howland Sarah H. Anthony, Sarah B. Slade
Susan S. Trapp & Eliza C. Davis, to unite
with a similar committee from the
Men's Meeting, to bring forward the names
of Friends suitable to fill the station,
and present to our next Monthly Cong.

An interesting and acceptable
epistle from our dear sisters of Indiana
Yearly Cong. has been read at this time.

The business of the Meeting
being finished we conclude -

Anna G. Wood

Clerk -

3rd mo
1873

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 3rd mo
27. 1873.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Abby Howland and Susan Seabury, from Long Plain, Nancy B. Dillingham and Paulina C. Murray who are present, except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason is assigned.

Betsy P. Wood on behalf of the Committee informs that they have attended to their appointment in the case of Mary A. H. Glader.

The queries with answers thereto from each of our Preparative Meetings, have been read in this, and a summary prepared from the answers, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends Susan S. Tripp, Phoebe B. Hocutt, Phoebe S. Delano, Susan Tabet, and Gabelema W. Howland, whom we appoint our representatives.

The joint Committee appointed to propose the names of Friends for Overseers in this Monthly Meeting for the ensuing year have presented the following viz. for New Bedford Preparative Meeting Sarah W. Howland, Rebecca C. Grinnell, Rhoda J. Gifford, - for Long Plain, Susan S. Tripp, Betsy G. Wood, and Lydia C. Dexter - for Nantucket Particular Meeting, Sarah Swain, which being satisfactory to Friends and having the concurrence of the men's Meeting they are appointed to that service accordingly.

We also unite with the men's meeting in the appointment of Matthew Howland, Henry J. Wood, Charles R. Tucker, John Woods, Edward G. Dillingham, Richard Davis and Matthew Barney as Overseers in their Meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude

Anna E. Wood
Clerk.

4th mo
1873.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 4th mo 24. 1873.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are, Lydia J. Howland and Abby Howland, - for Long Plain Azubah Cannon & Louisa B. Coven, who are present except one who was unable to attend.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting all attended agreeably to their appointment.

We are informed through Long Plain Preparative meeting that

14th mo
1873
Continued.

Benjamin Wilson and his wife Mary J. Wilson have presented a request to be received into membership with our Society. Eliza C. Davis Anna G. Wood, and Azubah Cannon, are appointed to unite with a similar Committee from the men's meeting, to visit them on the account and report to a future meeting.

We unite with men Friends in receiving Alphonse L. Castland into membership with our Religious Society.

We also concur with the men's meeting in granting a removal certificate to Thomas Wood addressed to Salem Monthly Meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude

Anna G. Wood
Clerk.

5th mo
1873

At New Bedford Monthly meeting of Women Friends held 5th mo 22^d 1873.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative meeting are Anne R. Anthony and Sarah J. Taber. from Long Plain Nancy B. Dillingham and Ann. A. Macomber, who are all present.

The time having expired for which the clerks of this meeting are appointed, Anna G. Wood is reappointed clerk, and Susan Taber assistant clerk for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

We unite with men Friends in recognizing the right of membership of James Mitchell, a member of the late Nantucket Monthly Meeting now residing in San Francisco -

We unite with the men's meeting in releasing James Robinson from his right of membership in our Religious Society.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude

Anna G. Wood
Clerk.

To New Bedford
Monthly meeting of Friends.

Dear friends

Believe that
we need the strength
and comfort of some
Christian circle, our
presence is with you, &
if we should be found
wanting of manhood life
with you.

Benjamin Wilson
Chas. Wilson.

Nov. 4th Mo. 16th 1843.



6mo 73. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends Friends, held 6mo-26-1873. . The representations from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Thos. H. Allen and Sarah M. Highland, from Long Plain Betsy Hillas and Hannah Bradford - who are present except one who was prevented from attending by sickness.

The Queries with answers to the First, Second and Tenth from each of our Preparative Meetings have been read in this, and a summary prepared from the answers, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, by our friends, Thos. S. Delano, Sarah M. Anthony, Paulina C. Murray, Hannah Sears, Sarah A. Holmes and Susan S. Tripp, whom we appoint our representatives.

Our beloved friend Jonathan Devoll, a minister from New York Monthly Meeting, New York, presented a Minute from the members of that Meeting, expressive of unity with him in his present religious engagement. His company and Gospel labors have been very satisfactory to us.

Our dear friend Mary Jane Devoll, an elder, companion to her husband Jonathan Devoll, is also with us at this time. Her company has been acceptable to us. The Clerk is at liberty to unite with the Clerk of the New Meeting in signing endorsements on their certificates conformable to the above.

The joint committee appointed in the Fourth Month to visit Benjamin Wilson and his wife Nancy J. Wilson on account of their request, have presented the following report -
To the Monthly Meeting.

The joint committee appointed in 4th mo. last - on account of the request of Benjamin Wilson and his wife Nancy J. Wilson to become members of our Religious Society, report - that our interviews with them were in a good degree satisfactory and encouraging. We believe they are entirely sincere in the request on the ground of religious conviction, and we are united in recommending that they

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continued

be received into membership. Henry J. Wood
Edward G. Dillingham
Elizabeth Davis
New Bedford
Azubah Cannon
6 mo. 26. 1873 Anna G. Wood.

which has been accepted by this and the Mens Meeting and they are accordingly received into membership with us, and Ann A. Macomber is appointed to inform Mary Jane Wilson of the conclusion of this Meeting.

The joint Committee of Men & Women Friends appointed in the 2nd. Mo. 1871. to consider the claims of the inmates of the House of Correction and Jail in this City, and take such action in the case as will meet the obligation, have presented a report, which has been accepted by this Meeting in concurrence with Men Friends, and the same committee viz. Dorcas F. Tucke Sarah A. Holmes, Rhoda J. Gifford, Hannah Sears, Rachel S. Howland and Anna G. Wood, are reappointed to unite with a similar committee from the Mens Meeting, to attend to that service for the ensuing year.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood
Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 7 mo. 24. 1873.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth S. Wood and Phoebe Howland - from Long Plain Elizabeth H. Wood and Rebecca Gifford, who are present except one who was prevented from attending by sickness.

7mo. 73. Anna A. Macomber informed that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Nancy G. Winsor.

The representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting were all in attendance except two, who were detained at home by indisposition.

The following request from Marcia S. Parker, late Snow, now residing in Cambridgeport Mass. to be released from membership has been received viz.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends.

The undersigned - formerly Marcia W. Snow of New Bedford, respectfully asks, that she may be disowned as a member of the Society of Friends, having become an acknowledged member of another Religious Society. Marcia S. Parker.

Cambridgeport 7mo. 13. 1873.

A similar request from her sister Sara B. Delano now living in Troy N.Y. has also been read at this time viz. To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends.

The undersigned formerly Sara B. Snow of New Bedford, respectfully asks, that she may be disowned as a member of the Society of Friends, having become an acknowledged member of another Religious Society. Sara B. Delano.

Troy July 8. 1873.

These requests having been considered, we appoint Susan Lake & Sarah H. Anthony, to communicate with them upon the subject, and report to a future Meeting.

The report of the Committee having charge of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School at Providence has been read and is acceptable to us.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna C. Wood
Clerk.

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8mo. 73 At New Bedford Monthly Mng of Women
Friends held 8mo - 28th - 1873.

The representatives for New Bedford Preparative
Mng - are Hannah Sears & Sophia Ricketson
for Long Plain Betsy G. Wood & Mary Ann
Uring - who are present except one -

Robert B. Taber and Anna P. Beards
(the latter not a member of our Religious Society),
having by a written declaration informed this
Meeting of their intention of marriage with
each other, we appoint Ann H. Dunbar to make
the usual inquiries in regard to her cleanness
to proceed in marriage and report to our next
Monthly Meeting.

We unite with our Friends in the
proposition, that when this Meeting adjourns, it shall
be to the 11th of 9th. month next, at the usual hour.

The following note from our dear friend Mary B.
Bradford has been read at this time request-
ing information in regard to a verbal resig-
nation of membership, offered by her to our
Monthly Mng. in 6th mo last -

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting
Dear friends

Please inform me what dispo-
sition you made of my resignation of mem-
bership in the Society of Friends, as tendered
you in 6th. month last -

And oblige your friend

Mary B. Bradford.

Fair Haven 8mo - 26 - 1873.

We appoint Anna G. Wood, Rachel
S. Howland and Dorcas F. Tucker, to confer
with her upon the subject and report at a
future time.

The business of the Meeting being
finished, in a precious feeling of love we
conclude.

Anna G. Wood - Clerk.

4mo 13 At an adjournment of the Monthly Meeting of
Women Friends held 4th mo. 14th 1873. /
The Committee appointed ^{in the case} of Anna B. Beaud
reports that she finds nothing to prevent her
proceeding in marriage with Robert B. Taber
a member of our Meeting. The written consent
of the surviving parents of each has also been
produced and read. The parties are therefore
allowed to solemnize their marriage, according
to the good order of our Society, at the house of
William A. Beaud on Third day the 16th. of
this month at, 12 o'clock M.

We appoint our Friends Mary C. Baylies
and Anna G. Wood to unite with a similar
committee from the Mens Meeting, to take the
oversight thereof, and report to our next
Monthly Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being
finished we conclude -

Anna G. Wood. Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
Friends held 9mo. 25. 1873. The representatives
from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are
Hannah Sears and Hannah S. Wing, from Long
Plain Betsy Willard and Charlotte Cowen,
who are all present.

Mary C. Baylies on behalf of the
committee appointed to have the oversight of the
marriage of Robert B. Taber and Anna P. Beaud
report that it was an interesting occasion, and
that the marriage was orderly conducted.

Our beloved friend John Culland attended
this Meeting, producing a satisfactory
Minute from Weymouth Monthly Meeting,
inclosed by Falmouth Quarterly Org. expression of
unity with him as a minister and with his
present religious engagements. His company and
Gospel labors have been acceptable to us, and the

9mo. 73 Clerk is left at liberty to sign an indorsement on his certificate conformable to the above.

The Queries with answers to the First Second and Third from each of our Preparative Meetings have been read in this, and a Summary prepared from the answers which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Mng. by our representatives who are Eulielma L. Howland, Susan G. Kempton, Elizabeth H. Wood and Nancy B. Dillingham.

An instructive and interesting epistle from one dear sister of London Yearly Mng. has been read at this time.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Anna C. Wood

Clerk.

10mo. At New Bedford Monthly Mng of Women Friends held 10th. Mo. 23d. 1843. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mng. are Hannah Sears and Sarah M. Howland, for Long Plain. Nancy B. Dillingham & Rebecca A. Gilchrist all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Mng. were all present except one, who was prevented by circumstances from attending.

The assistant Clerk being absent, Mary C. Baylis is appointed to that service for the day.

The committee appointed in the 8th. mo. to visit Mary B. Bradford on account of her request, have presented the following report viz. To the Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed in the 8th. mo. to visit Mary B. Bradford on account of her request to be released from membership, have had several interviews with her upon the subject. She acknowledged a strong attachment to the principles of our Society, and interest in its welfare, but her desire to be released from

10mo 73 membership still continued, and she expressed the belief, that her work is outside of our borders. While we recommend that her request be granted, we desire that she may be kept, in loving Christian remembrance.

New Bedford

10mo. 22. 1843.

Rachel G. Howland

Dorcas T. Tucker

Anna G. Wood

which has been accepted by this and the Men's Meeting and she is accordingly released from membership. Rhoda T. Gifford is appointed to give her the information.

The joint committee on the subject of Education, have presented a report, which has been accepted by this and the Men's Meeting and the same Committee is appointed to serve the ensuing year, with the exception of Mary Gifford and Mary B. Bradford who are released.

Their names are as follows. Mary Ann Wing, Ruth S. Wood, Sylvia G. Howland, Rhoda T. Gifford, Mary C. Baylis, Rebecca C. Ginnell, Susan Taber, Susan T. Gifford, Sarah G. Taber, Nancy B. Dillingham, Anna G. Wood and Hannah S. Wing.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude -

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

11mo 73. At New Bedford Monthly Mng of Women Friends held 11mo. 27th. 1843. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mng. are Hannah Sears and Rebecca C. Ginnell from Long Plain Amabak Cannon and Eliza C. Davis, who are all present.

Rhoda T. Gifford informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Mary B. Bradford.

Our beloved friend Allen Fay attended this meeting, producing a satisfactory Minute from Springfield Monthly Mng. North Carolina.

11. mo 73 His company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us, and the Clerk is left at liberty to unite with the Clerk of the Mens Meeting, to sign an indorsement on his certificate conformable to the above.

The Queries with answers to the First Second and Tenth have been read in ~~their~~ ^{their} form each of our Preparative Meetings, have been read in this and a Summary compiled from the answers which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Mng. by our friends, Rebecca C. Grinnell, Dorcas F. Tucker, Nancy B. Dillingham and Arisbah Cannon whom we appoint our representatives.

George A. Potter and Anne W. Frost neither of whom are members of our Religious Society, having by a written declaration informed this Meeting of their intention of marriage with each other, and their desire to accomplish it according to the good order of our Society, we appoint Dorcas F. Tucker to make the usual inquiries, in regard to her cleanness to proceed in marriage, and report to our next Monthly Mng.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Lorna G. Wood Clerk.

12 mo 73 At New Bedford Monthly Mng. of Women Friends held 12th. mo 25 - 1873. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mng. are Silinda Kelley & Anne H. Dunbar, from Long Plain Sarah B. Stodd & Elizabeth H. Wood - who are present except one, who could not conveniently attend.

The representatives to the Quarterly Mng. were all in attendance at that time.

We unite with Men Friends in receiving Charles W. Ryder into membership with us.

12mo 73. The committee appointed in the case of Anna W Frost, reports that she finds nothing to prevent her proceeding in marriage with George A. Potter. The written consent of the parents of each, have also been produced and read. The parties are therefore allowed to solemnize their marriage, according to the good order of our Society at the house recently occupied by J. Wingate Frost at Rockdale on the 12th. of 1st mo. at 8 o'clock P. M.

We appoint our friends Anna G. Yund and Sarah A. Holmes, to unite with a similar committee from the Mens (Ing. to take the oversight thereof, and report to our next Monthly Ing.

The following request has been received through New Bedford Preparative Ing. To New Bedford Monthly Meeting -

Dear friends -

I believe it right, for me to request to become a member of your Society, and hope it may meet your approval.

Ann Eliza Wilby.

New Bedford 12mo 18. 1843.

We appoint Sarah H. Anthony Lydia Richman and Ruth S. Yund to visit her on the account and report to a future Meeting).

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Anna G. Yund
Clerk.

1mo-94. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 1mo. 22nd. 1874. The representatives for New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth S. Word and Alma Howland, who are both present. Owing to a severe storm, only one Woman Friend was in attendance of Long Plain Preparative Meeting we have consequently no report -

The committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of George A. Potter and Anne H. Frost, report that it was conducted, in an orderly and satisfactory manner.

The friends appointed to visit Ann Eliza Wilcox, on account of her request to be admitted into membership, have presented the following report, viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Agreeably to our appointment, we have visited Ann Eliza Wilcox, on account of her request to be united in membership with us. We believe her to be convinced of the Truth as held by Friends, and sincerely desirous to be led thereby, — and we think it may be right to grant her request, which we submit to the Meeting.

Sarah H. Anthony
Ruth S. Word.

New Bedford 1mo 22-1874.

which being united with by this and the Men's Meeting, she is received as member of our Religious Society, and Rhoda T. Gifford is appointed to inform her of the judgment of this Meeting.

The Overseers of this Meeting, request a removal certificate for Rebecca M. Winslow who has for more than six months resided within the limits of Dartmouth Monthly Meeting. We therefore appoint Sarah A. Holmes and Ruth S. Word, to prepare one on her behalf and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

Mo. 74 The joint Committee appointed in the 12th mo. Convention 1870, to visit in Christian love, those who from various causes, have lost their right of membership, as well as the descendants of such, also those who are not members, but manifest an attachment to Friends by attending their Meetings, have presented a report which has been accepted by this Meeting, and a new Committee has been appointed to unite with a similar one from the Mens Meeting, to continue the care, and visit as way may open for it, the different classes referred to.

The names of the Committee are as follows.
 Sarah H. Anthony, Hannah Sead, Sarah Howland, Rachel S. Howland, Susan Tripp, Ruth S. Wood, Susan Taber, Sarah A. Holmes, Dorcas F. Tucker, Anne K. Anthony, Rebecca C. Grinnell, Betsy G. Wood, Anna G. Wood, Phoebe S. Delano, Hannah S. Wing, and Sarah B. Slade.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude -

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

2mo. 74 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends, held 2mo. 26. 1874. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sylvia G. Howland and Rhoda Kelly, from Long Plain Sarah B. Slade and Susan S. Tripp, who are present except one.

Rhoda S. Gifford informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Ann Eliza Wilcox.

We have received through Long Plain Preparative Meeting, the following request from Adelaide C. Wilbur.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.
 Dear friends

I have for some time desired, if

2mo-74 Friends are willing to become a member of your Society, and that my children Edward, P. Elizabeth G. Herbert R. and Arthur T. Willins should be admitted also with which my husband unites.

Adelaide T. Willins

2mo-19th 1874.

We appoint Ruth S. Wood and Isaac S. Tucker, to unite with a similar committee from the Mens Meeting, to visit them on the account and report to a future Meeting.

A certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on account of Rebecca A. Winslow, has been presented and read, which being united with and having the concurrence of Men Friends, the Clerk is directed to sign and forward it, on behalf of this Meeting.

The committee appointed in the 7th mo - to communicate with Sara B. Delano, on account of her request, no longer to be considered a member of our Religious Society - have presented the following report, which has been accepted by this and the Mens Meeting, and she is accordingly released from Membership with us.

A report, which is subjoined, was also received from the same Committee in the case of Marcia S. Parker, who made a like request, and having the concurrence of the Mens meeting, she is also released, and Susan Taber is appointed to inform her of the action of this meeting.

We unite with the Mens meeting in issuing a removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly meeting on behalf of Edward H. Winslow.

Reports

To the Monthly Meeting -

The committee to communicate with Sara B. Delano and in regard to her resignation of her right of membership among us, report that they have attended to their appointment.

She expressed a feeling of gratitude to Friends for their kindly feeling and sympathy, but has become a member of another Religious Society.

2mo. 74 and we would recommend that her resignation
be accepted, although we much regret to lose any
earnest Christians from our branch of the Church.
Martha S. Parker in replying to our letter said,
she desired to thank Friends, for the kind and
Christian feeling expressed for her, and it was
her earnest desire to be always a follower of
the Lord, but she has become an acknowledged
member of another Religious Society, and is con-
sistently satisfied with the decision she has made.
We would recommend that her resignation be
accepted. Sarah H. Anthony,
Susan Taber.

New Bedford 2mo 26. 1874.

The business of the Meeting being
accomplished we conclude.

Anna C. Wood Clerk.

3mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Young
Friends held 3d mo- 26- 1874. The representatives
from New Bedford Separation Meeting are
Sophia Richardson and Rebecca Ann Tripp
from Long Plains Betsy C. Wood and Chloë C.
S. Wing - who are all present.

The Queries with answers thereto from each
of our Preparative Meetings have been read in
this and a Summary prepared from the
answers, which we forward to the ensuing
Quarterly Meeting, by our friends Sarah H.
Howland, Rebecca C. Gamwell, Susan S. Tripp
Sylvia G. Howland and Ann A. Macomber,
whom we appoint our representatives.

Susan Taber reports that she has
attended to her appointment in the case of
Sara B. Delano, and Martha S. Parker.

Removal certificates from Dartmouth
(Monthly Cong. on behalf of Hettie H. Wing),
Rachel R. Lawton and Mary Elizabeth
Smith wife of Benjamin Smith, have been

3d mo. 74. read and accepted in concurrence with Mrs. Truitt, and we appoint Susan G. Kimball and Rhoda T. Gifford to take the usual care in such cases, and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

We unite with the Mens Meeting in granting a removal certificate to William Foster Mitchell addressed to Salem Monthly Cong.

The joint committee appointed last month to visit Adelaide T. Wilbur, wife of Noah H. Wilbur on account of her request for herself, and her four minor children viz. Edward P. Elizabeth G. Herbert R. and Arthur J. Wilbur, to be received into membership with us report

To the Monthly Meeting -

We have conferred with Adelaide T. Wilbur wife of Noah H. Wilbur on account of her request for herself and minor children, viz. Edward P. Elizabeth G. Herbert R. and Arthur J. Wilbur to be received into membership with us. We believe she is sincere in her request, and we are united in recommending that her request be granted.

On behalf of the committee.

Doreas F. Tucker

Henry J. Wood

Edward G. Dillingham.

New Bedford

3d mo 23d. 74

This report having been accepted by this and the mens Meeting, they are received as members of our Religious Society, and Susan Taber is appointed to give her the information.

The time for which the Overseers of this Meeting were appointed having expired, Doreas F. Tucker, Anna G. Wood, Betsy Hillar, Mrs. A. Macomber, Hannah Sears and Charlotte Lower, are appointed to unite with a similar committee from the Mens Meeting, to recommend the names of suitable persons to fill that station, and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

3mo 74. The time having also expired for which the
 continued Overseers of the Town of this Meeting were
 appointed, we unite with the reappointment
 to that service of the same Friends, who have
 filled that station the past year, viz.

For New Bedford Preparative Mng. Mary C.
 Baylies, Phoebe Howland, and Thos B.
 Slocum, for Long Plain, Mary Ann Tring,
 Susan L. Triff, and Betsy Hillard, for
 Nantucket Sarah Swan.

The business of the meeting being
 finished we conclude

Anna G. Winsor

Clerk.

4mo 74

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
 Friends held 4mo 23d 1874. The representatives
 from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are
 Rhoda Ann Triff and Sylvia E. Howland
 from Long Plain, Rebecca A. Gifford and
 Paulina C. Murray, who are all present.

The assistant Clerk being absent, Mary
 C. Baylies is appointed to that service for the day.

The representatives to the Quarterly Mng.
 report that they all attended at that time.

Rhoda L. Gifford informs that Susan
 G. Kempton & herself have attended to their
 appointment in visiting Hatty H. Tring, Rachel
 H. Lawton and Mary Elizabeth Smith, on
 account of the reception of their removal
 certificates.

We have received through New Bedford
 Preparative Meeting the following request from
 Aliceth Slocum daughter of Peleg & Thos B.
 Slocum.

To the Monthly Meeting
 Dear Friends

Having waited to serve the
 will of the Lord in regard to this step, I now

4mo. 74. make known to you my preference for the Society of Friends, and ask to be received as a member, if it meet your approbation.
Alice W. Stoddard.

New Bedford 4mo 13. 74.

which being acceptable to the Meeting Lucas F. Tucker and Rachel S. Howland are appointed to visit her on the account and report to a future Meeting.

A communication from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Women Friends signed by Maria B. Smith Clerk informs that a removal certificate on behalf of Rebecca A. Winslow has been received and accepted by them.

The joint committee to whom was referred, the selection of suitable Friends to fill the Station of Overseer, presented a report which was read, and the subject was again referred to the same committee for further action and to report next month.

A transcript of an Epistle from our dear Sisters of Ohio Yearly Meeting has been read, to our comfort and refreshment at this time.

The business of the Meeting being closed we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

5mo 74

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 5mo 28th 1874. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are; Amy Howland and Susan Taber; from Long Plain Charlotte Cowen, and Lydia A. Rickelson - all present.

Our beloved friend Sarah K. Reynolds attended this meeting, producing a satisfactory Minute from Providence Monthly Meeting. Her company and gospel labors have been acceptable to all.

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The committee appointed last Month to visit Alice W. Locum have presented the following report:

To the Monthly Meeting—

Agreeable to our appointment we have visited Alice W. Locum on account of her request for membership in our religious society. Our interview with her was very interesting and satisfactory to us, and we believe that she has been converted by the regenerating power of the Holy Spirit, and is convinced of the rectitude of the principles held by the Society of Friends.

New Bedford

Rachel S. Howland

5 mo 21st 1874

Dorcas F. Tucker.

which report has been fully united with by this and the Mens Meeting and she is received a member of our Religious Society. Sarah H. Anthony is appointed to inform her of the judgment of this Meeting.

We unite with Men Friends in accepting a removal certificate from Providence Monthly Meeting on behalf of N. Hervey Wilbur.

The time having expired for which the clerk of this meeting were appointed, Anna G. Wood is reappointed clerk and Susan Taber assistant clerk for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

A removal certificate from Salem Monthly Meeting on behalf of Abby M. Hoag has been accepted in concurrence with Men Friends and Susan G. Kempton is appointed to visit her on the account.

The joint committee appointed to propose the names of Friends for overseers in this Monthly Meeting for the ensuing year, have presented the following, namely: for New Bedford Preparative Meeting Rhoda T. Gifford, Rebecca C. Grinnell, and Sarah M. Howland; for Long Plain - Susan S. Tripp, Betsy Hillar and Ann A. Macomber; for Nantuxet Sarah Swain. which being satisfactory to Friends and having the concurrence of the Mens Meeting they are appointed to that service accordingly.

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The following names were also proposed as overseers in the Men's Meeting viz: Matthew Howland Charles R. Tucker, William G. Wing, Edward G. Dillingham, Joshua L. Macomber, Abram Gifford and Matthew Barney; which were considered and while some united therewith, a few earnestly protested against the omission of one name from the list of those who served last year. It was finally concluded for the sake of promoting love and harmony amongst us, that they be accepted by this meeting, and they are accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood. Clerk.

6mo 74

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 6mo 25th 1874. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sarah Jane Taber, and Sally W. Howland; for Long Plain Nancy B. Dillingham, and Susan S. Tripp; present except one.

In the absence of the Clerks Dorcas F. Tucker and Mary C. Baylis are appointed for the day. Sarah W. Anthony informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Alice W. Stocum. Susan G. Kempton reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Abby M. Hoag.

Our beloved friend Harriet M. Jones attended this meeting presenting a satisfactory minute from Litchfield Monthly Meeting. Her company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Allen Jay from Springfield Monthly Meeting North Carolina and Elwood Osburn from Chestnut Hill Monthly Meeting Iowa are in attendance of this meeting, each presenting satisfactory testimonials from their respective meetings. Their company and Gospel labors have been satisfactory to us.

Our beloved friend Martha A. Jay, an Elder, companion to her husband Allen Jay, and

6mo '74 Lydia Osburn, companion to her husband Elwood Osburn, attended this meeting presenting satisfactory minutes from their Monthly Meetings. Their company and solid deportment have been satisfactory. The queries with answers to the 1st, 2nd and 10th from each of our preparative Meetings have been read in this, and a summary prepared from the answers which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives, who are Nancy B. Dillingham, Susan S. Tripp, Sophia Ricketson and Ruth S. Wood. The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Dorcas F. Shucke Clerk for the day.

7mo '74 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting Meeting of Women Friends held 7mo 23rd 1874. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are - Hannah S. Wing and Sylvia G. Howland, from Long Plain Charlotte Cowen, and Rebecca A. Gifford, who are all present. The representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting held in Falmouth were all in attendance at that time. We unite with men friends in granting a removal certificate to George R. Wood - addressed to Philadelphia Monthly Meeting of Friends for the Western District. The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Anna G. Wood Clerk.

8mo '74 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 8mo 27th 1874. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rhoda A. Gifford and Ruth S. Wood; from Long Plain Eliza C. Davis and Ann A. Macomber - who are all present. We have received through Long Plain Preparative Meeting the following request from

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8 Mo '74 Esther Hammet, wife of Jeremiah Hammet on behalf of herself and her two minor children - Russell P. and Valmour. A Hammet to be received into membership with us.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

I have for some time felt desirous to be united with friends and now make the request if it should meet your approbation; and also for my two minor children - Russell P. and Valmour. A Hammet.

Esther Hammet.

Long Plain 8 Mo 19th 1874.

We accordingly appoint Sarah A. Holmes Susan G. Kempton, and Eliza C. Davis to unite with a similar committee from the Mens Meeting to visit them on the account, and report to a future meeting.

Our business being accomplished we conclude.
Anna G. Wood Blech.

9 Mo '74 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 9 Mo 24th 1874. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Hetty E. Howland and Lydia T. Howland; from Long Plain Nancy B. Dillingham and Mary S. Glass, - present except one who was prevented from attending on account of sickness.

The queries with answers to the First, Second and Tenth from each of our Preparative Meetings have been read in this, and a summary prepared from the answers which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends Sarah M. Howland Phoebe Howland Susan S. Tripp and Hetty E. Howland whom we appoint our representatives.

The report of the committee who have the care of our Yearly Meeting Boarding School has been read and is interesting and acceptable to us.

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We unite with New Friends in accepting a removal certificate from Salem Monthly Meeting on behalf of John Smithson Wright (formerly from Ireland) his wife Sarah Elizabeth and their two minor children - Jonathan Arnold and Annie Kathleen. Susan Taber and Rhoda T. Gifford are appointed to visit them on the account, and report to a future meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

10 mo '74

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 10 mo 22nd 1874. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sarah Jane Taber and Hannah S. Wing, from Long Plain Phoebe S. Delano and Rebecca A. Gifford, - who are all present.

The representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting report their attendance at that time.

The committee appointed to visit Sarah Elizabeth Wright on account of the reception of her certificate inform that they have attended to their appointment.

Gertrude W. Howland having requested to be released from her appointment on the committee to provide refreshments for Friends in attendance of the Quarterly Meeting, on account of lack of strength to fulfil its duties, her resignation is accepted by this meeting and Sylvia G. Howland is appointed to take her place on the committee.

In the interval of business, a few paragraphs were read from the London General Epistle.

George Richardson, a member of Sidney Monthly Meeting - Maine, and Sarah W. Howland of New Bedford having by a written declaration informed this meeting of their intentions of marriage with each other, we appoint Ruth S. Wood to make the usual inquiries in regard to her clearance to

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proceed in marriage and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

11 mo '74

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 11th mo 26th 1874. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth S. Wood and Hetty E. Howland; from Long Plain - Azubah Cannon and Susan S. Tripp - who are present except one.

The queries with answers to the three usually considered at this time from each of our Preparative Meetings, have been read in this, and a summary prepared from the answers which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Friends Ruth S. Wood, Hannah S. Wing, Hannah Sears, Anna A. Macomber, and Azubah Cannon, whom we appoint our representatives.

Ruth S. Wood, who was appointed to inquire into the clearance of Sarah W. Howland to proceed in Marriage reports that she finds nothing to prevent. A satisfactory certificate on account of marriage has also been received through the Men's meeting from Sidney Monthly Meeting Maine on behalf of George Richardson. The parties are therefore left at liberty to solemnize their marriage according to the good order of our Religious Society, and we appoint Susan Taber and Anna G. Wood to have the oversight thereof and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The joint committee upon the subject of Education have produced a report which has been read and accepted by this and the Men's Meeting, and the same committee with the addition of Phoebe Howland are reappointed to that service for the ensuing year.

We unite with Men's Meeting in denying to Andrew M. Howland his right of membership.

Epistles from our dear sisters of London and Dublin Yearly Meetings have been read to our

11. mo 74 comfort and encouragement at this time.
The business of the Meeting being finished
we conclude.
Anna G. Wood. Clerk.

12 mo 74. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 12 mo 24th 1874. The representatives from
New Bedford Preparative Meeting, are Ruth Hing and
Sarah Holmes; from Long Plain, Phoebe S. Delano
and Eliza C. Davis, who are all present.

The representatives to our late Quarterly
Meeting were all in attendance, at that time.
Susan Taber, on behalf of the committee
appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of George
Richardson, and Sarah M. Howland report that the
meeting was orderly conducted, and was a large
and interesting one.

The joint committee appointed in the
8th mo to visit Esther Hammet on account of her request
for herself and her two minor children viz- Russell P.
and Valmour A Hammet have presented the following
report: - To the Monthly Meeting.

The committee, appointed to confer with Esther
Hammet on account of her request for herself and her
two minor children viz- Russell P. and Valmour A
Hammet to be admitted into membership with our
Religious Society report we have had several opportunities
with her on the subject, and most of us are united in
believing it best to grant the request and receive them into
membership us - but submit it to the judgment
of the meeting. -

Richard Davis
Edward G. Dillingham
Eliza C. Davis
Susan Kempton.

12 mo 24, 1874.
Which being read and accepted by this Meeting and
having the concurrence of Men Friends herein, they are
received into membership with us, and Eliza C. Davis
is appointed to inform her of the conclusion of this Meeting.

12mo 74.

The subject of Temperance having claimed the attention of this Meeting in accordance with the recommendation of the Yearly Meeting, we appoint Anna G. Wood, Sarah W. Richardson, Susan Taber, Ruth S. Wood, Hannah S. Wing and Rachel S. Howland to unite with a similar committee of Men's friends to labor in discouraging the traffic in intoxicating liquors and in promoting the cause of Temperance in the community around us.

(A minute from the Representative Meeting held in Lynn in the Twelfth Month calling attention to the appeal made by the Meeting for Sufferings of Kansas

Yearly Meeting requesting assistance for Friends on account of the failure and destruction of their crops was read, and the following Friends - viz Mary T Howland, Alice Stocum Susan Taber, Betsy G. Wood, Hannah S. Wing and Sylvia G. Howland are appointed a committee to make collections of money or clothing on their behalf.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude

Anna G. Wood

Clerk.

1mo 1875.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 1mo 28th 1875. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Hannah Sears and Ruth Smith; from Long Plain Sylvia D. Weeks and Rebecca A. Gifford who are present except one who was necessarily detained.

Eliza C. Davis informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Esther Hemmatt.

Our Beloved friend Rufus P. King attended this Meeting, presenting a certificate from Spiceland Monthly Meeting indorsed by Spiceland Quarterly Meeting, Indiana. His company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us and the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Mens Meeting in signing an indorsement on his certificate conformable to the above.

Our dear Friend Sarah W. Richardson has expressed in this Meeting a willingness to accompany her husband George Richardson on a proposed Religious visit to the Quarterly Meetings of Rhode Island and

1mo 1875 Smithfield and some of the Meetings constituting them.
Which being considered is united with, and the Clerk
is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Mens Meeting
in furnishing her with a suitable Minute.
The business of this Meeting being accomplished we conclude

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

2mo 1875. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
2mo 25th 1875. The representatives from New Bedford
Preparative Meeting are Rhoda Ann Tripp and Sarah Jane
Tiber; from Long Plain, Azubah Cannon and Adelaide
V. Wilbur, who are all present.

Our dear Friend Sarah M. Richardson requests a
removal certificate addressed to Sidney Monthly Meeting,
Maine. Dorcas F. Tucker and Sarah A. Holmes are
requested to prepare one on her behalf and present to our
next Monthly Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being finished
we conclude.

Anna G. Wood
Clerk.

3mo. 1875 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends,
held 3mo. 25th 1875: The representatives from New Bed-
ford Preparative Meeting are Rhoda Ann Tripp and Ruth
Almy; from Long Plain, Betsey G. Wood and Phebe S.
Delano, who are all present.

The friends appointed to prepare a removal certifi-
cate for Sarah M. Richardson, addressed to Sydney
Monthly Meeting, Maine, have presented one, which has
been approved, and the Clerk is directed to sign and
forward it on our behalf.

The Queries, with answers thereto from each of our
Preparative Meetings, have been read in this, and a
summary prepared therefrom, which we forward to
the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends Sylvia G.
Howland, Ruth S. Wood, Susan G. Kempton and Phebe S.
Delano, whom we appoint our representatives.

3mo. 1875

Our dear friend Sarah M. Richardson returned at this time the Minutes granted her in First mo. She also presented returning Minutes from Rhode Island and Smithfield Quarterly Meetings, expressing that she had been very acceptably with them. These certificates with the account given by our dear friend have been satisfactory to us.

The joint committee appointed to provide refreshments at the meeting house, for friends in attendance at the Quarterly Meeting, have presented the following report, viz: - which has been accepted by this and the Mens' Meeting, and the same committee are reappointed to that service for the year ensuing, with the addition of Rhoda Ann Tripp. The committee are as follows: Phebe Howland, Mary C. Boylies, Susan Taber, Sylvia G. Howland, and Rhoda Ann Tripp.

We unite with New Friends in accepting a removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Abbot P. Smith.

The business of the Meeting being finished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood. Clerk.

4mo. 1875

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held 4mo. 22, 1875. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ann Eliza Wilcox and Ruth Shury; from Long Plain, Sarah Glade and Mary Ann Wing; who are all present. The representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

We unite with New Friends in receiving Ira H. Ferrish into membership with our Religious Society.

The time for which the Clerks of this Meeting were appointed expiring next month, and the subject being brought before us, it was proposed that the same clerks who served the Meeting the past year, should be reappointed, which was united with by this Meeting, and they are accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

The business of the Meeting being finished, we conclude.

5mo. 1875 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held 5mo. 27. 1875. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Hannah I Wing and Sally W Howland; from Long Plain, Betsy Hiller and Rebecca A Gifford: - present except one.

Epistles from our dear sisters of Indiana and Ohio Yearly Meetings have been acceptably read at this time.

The time for which the Overseers of this Meeting were appointed having expired, in accordance with the provisions of our discipline we appoint Sarah H. Anthony, Betsy G. Wood, Rhoda I Gifford, Dorcas I Tucker, Lydia I Howland and Sarah Slade to unite with a similar committee from the Mens Meeting to bring forward the names of both Men & Women Friends suitable to fill that station, and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being finished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

6mo. 1875 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held 6mo 24, 1875. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Phebe B Locum and Hannah I Wing: from Long Plain, Rebecca A Gifford and Elizabeth H. Wood: - who are all present.

The Queries, with answers to the First Second and Tenth from each of our Preparative Meetings, have been read in this, and a summary prepared from the answers, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends Sarah A Holmes, Azubah Cannon, Elizabeth H. Wood, Ruth S. Wood, Rhoda Ann Tripp and Susan S Tripp, whom we appoint our representatives.

Our beloved friend Joseph Hobson, from Eilead Monthly Meeting, Ohio, and John P Pennington from Spiceland Monthly Meeting, Indiana, attended this meeting, producing satisfactory Minutes from their respective Meetings endorsed by their several Quarterly Meetings, expressing unity with them as Ministers and with their present religious engagements. Their company and Gospel labors have been satisfactory to us. We have also had the company of our dear friend

6mo. 1875 Amy P Hobson, an elder, with a Minute from Fitch Monthly Meeting, companion to her husband Joseph Hobson. Her company has been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to sign endorsements on the foregoing certificates, conformable to the above.

A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of William P. Lawrence, his wife Elizabeth S., and their minor daughter Mary Alice has been accepted in concurrence with New Friends, and Susan I. Kempton is appointed to visit them on the account.

We have also received a removal certificate from the same Meeting on behalf of Ruth L. Smith, New Friends uniting herein, and Sylvia G. Howland according to our custom is appointed to call upon her.

The joint committee appointed to propose the names of Friends for overseers in this Monthly Meeting, for the ensuing year, have presented the following, namely:— for New Bedford Preparative Meeting, Charles R. Tucker, Matthew Howland, William G. Wing, Rhoda T. Eofford, Rebecca L. Grinnell and Mary L. Baylies:— for Long Plain Edward G. Dillingham, Abram Eofford, Joshua L. Macomber, Betsey Hillar, Ann A. Macomber, and Susan S. Tripp:— for Nantucket, Matthew Barney and Sarah Swain:— which being satisfactory to Friends, they are appointed to that service accordingly for the ensuing year.

The time having expired for which the Overseers of the Poor of this Meeting were appointed, we are united in reappointing to that service the same same Friends who served last year; namely:— for New Bedford Preparative Meeting, Mary L. Baylies, Phebe Howland and Phebe B. Locum:— for Long Plain Mary Ann Wing, Betsey Hillar and Susan S. Tripp:— for Nantucket, Sarah Swain.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished, we conclude.

Anna G. Good Clerk.

7mo. 1875 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held 7mo. 22, 1875. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sophia Ricketson and Anne R. Anthony:— from Long Plain, Rebecca A. Eofford and Louisa R. Gerrish, who are present,

7mo. 1875 except one. The representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Susan P. Kempton reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Elizabeth S. Lawrence.

The report of the committee having charge of the Boarding School at Providence has been read, and is acceptable to us.

Our dear friend Stephen Bred, from Rocky Run Monthly Meeting, Indiana, attended this meeting, producing a satisfactory Minute from that Monthly Meeting, endorsed by Western Quarterly Meeting. His company and Gospel labors have been satisfactory to us, and the clerk is left at liberty to sign an endorsement on his certificate conformable to the above.

The business of the meeting being finished, we conclude

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

8mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 8mo. 26. 1875. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are an Sophia Ricketson and Phoebe Howland, from Long Plain Mary Ann Glade and Susan S. Shippe - who are all present.

An Epistle from our dear Sisters of London Yearly Meeting has been acceptably read at this time.

We unite with Men Friends in receiving Nathaniel Sears into membership with our Religious Society.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood

Clerk.

9mo. 1875 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Union Friends held 9mo - 23 - 1875. The representatives from New-Bedford Separation Meeting are Sylvia G. Montague and Hannah Sears, from Long Plain Betsey Kittered and Phoebe S. Delano, who are all present.

The assistant Clerk being absent, Mary C. Baylies is appointed to that service for the day.

The Queries with answers to the First, Second and Tenth have been read, and a Summary prepared from the answers, which are forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, by our representatives, who are Hannah Sears, Elizabeth S. Lawrence, Phoebe S. Delano and Ann H. Dunbar...

William Thompson of Brookline, a member of New York Monthly Meeting and Susan Taber, a member of this Meeting having by a written declaration informed this Meeting of their intention of Marriage with each other; and the latter having the consent of her surviving parent, we appoint Sarah A. Holmes to make the usual inquiries in regard to the claims of Susan Taber to proceed in marriage, and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Our dear friend George Richardson a minister from Sidney Monthly Meeting, Maine, attended this Meeting, producing a satisfactory Minute from that Meeting. His company and Gospel labors have been satisfactory to us. Our beloved friend Sarah M. Richardson, companion to her husband George Richardson is also acceptably with us at this time, and the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Mens Meeting, in signing endorsements on their certificates conformable to the above.

A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Abby E. Kelley, & her minor son Henry W. Ellison, has been accepted in concurrence with New Friends, and Anna G. Wood is appointed to visit her on the account.

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A lively and sweet Epistle from our dear sisters of Dublin Yearly Meeting, has been read to our refreshment and instruction at this time.

Our beloved friend Josiah Holmes Jr. who ministered in unity with us, opened in this Meeting a concern which has respect on his mind, to visit in the love of the Gospel, the Quarterly Meetings of Rhode Island & Smithfield, to appoint some meetings, and visit a part, or all of the families constituting them - which being weightily considered by this Meeting, was united with, & he is left at liberty to pursue his prospect as best wisdom may direct.

Our dear friend Sarah A. Holmes expressed a concern to accompany her husband Josiah Holmes Jr. in a part of his religious engagement within the limits of Rhode Island & Smithfield Quarterly Meetings. We unite in liberating her for this service - she being a member in good esteem with us.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

10 mo.

A New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 10 mo - 28 - 1875. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are, Mary T. Bennett and Ruth Almy - from Long Plains - Mary Ann Wing & Adelaide T. Wilbur, who are present except one who was unable to attend.

Only one of the representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting was in attendance at that time, for the absence of the others a sufficient reason was assigned.

Sarah A. Holmes who was appointed to enquire into the cleanness of Susan Taber to proceed in marriage, reports, that she finds nothing to prevent. A satisfactory certificate on account of marriage has also been received through the mens Meeting from New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of William Thompson.

10mo. 75 - The parties are therefore left at liberty to solemnize their marriage according to the good order of our Society, at the house of William E. Taber, on Fourth day the 3d. of 11mo - at 12 o'clock M.

Sylvia G. Howland & Mary E. Baylis are appointed to have the oversight thereof, and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

A request from Mary Eastman Bradford to be released from membership with us has been received, which being considered was accepted, having the concurrence of Men Friends and Rachel S. Howland is appointed to inform her of the decision of this Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

11mo - At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 11mo - 25 - 1875. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Hannah S. Wing and Susan G. Kempton - from Long Plain Lurisa R. Gerwick and Ambah Cannon, who are all present.

Anna G. Wood reports that she has visited Abby E. Kelley according to appointment.

Sylvia G. Howland on behalf of the committee informs that the marriage of William Thompson and Susan Taber, was orderly conducted, & that it was an interesting and satisfactory occasion.

Rachel S. Howland reports that she has informed Mary Eastman Bradford of her release from membership with us, and of the kind and tender feelings entertained by Friends towards her.

The Queries with answers to the First, Second, and Third, from each of our Preparative Meetings have been read in this, and a summary prepared from the answers, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives, who are Ruth S. Wood, Chas. B. Stocum, Adelaide T. Wilbur, Hannah S. Wing and Mary Ann Wing.

Our beloved Friends John Y. Horner from Springdale Monthly Meeting Iowa, and John Cawg of Back Creek Monthly Meeting, Grant County, Indiana, attended this Meeting presenting satisfactory Minutes from their respective Meetings. Their company and Gospel labors, have been acceptable to us, and the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Mens Meeting, in signing suitable indorsements on their certificates.

The joint Committee upon the Subject of Education have presented the following report, which has been read and accepted by this & the Mens Meeting, and the same Committee with the addition of Catherine Howland are reappointed to that service for the ensuing year.

Their names are as follows. Mary Ann Wing, Ruth S. Wood, Sylvia G. Howland, Rhoda T. Lippard, Mary C. Baylis, Rebecca C. Grinnell, Susan T. Thompson, Susan S. Tripp, Sarah Jane Taber, Nancy B. Dillingham, Anna G. Wood, Hannah S. Wing, Prebe Howland and Catharine Howland.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood. Clerk.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The joint committee under appointment, upon the subject of General education among our members, and especially to promote & encourage the attendance of First day Schools for Scriptural instruction, by the children of Friends and of others connected with our Society, or who may be in the practice of attending our Meetings - report - that way has not opened for any special efforts in the way of Secular education. They believe however that a good degree of interest is felt by many Friends upon the subject. Several of our members have been in attendance of the Boarding School at Providence, & a few others have been engaged in teaching during all or a portion of the year.

First day Schools.

New Bedford. — Though not so fully attended as formerly - this is quite as large now, as at the time of our report last year, and is we believe a good school.

11mo. 75- While there is apparent less personal endeavor on the part of teachers to secure the regular attendance of all in the several classes, we believe the general interest and effort for the welfare of the School is fully maintained, and we trust the religious interest & temper of the teachers has not abated.

Fair Haven. — A small School composed of adults only. The average attendance is about ten, though sometimes twenty are present. Could Friends here feel encouraged to invite the children of the neighborhood, some of whom may not at present attend any School, and share with them the benefit of their Bible study, we believe the effort might result in blessing to themselves and in good to the children.

Akershus. — A little Bible class at the close of the First day Meeting, with an average attendance of about ten. It is cause of satisfaction to the Committee to be able to report the continuance of this practice by the little company who assemble here. If so be that any of these have tasted that the Lord is gracious, if they have felt the need and an earnest desire, that their own lives may be in conformity with the precept & spirit of the Gospel, how fitting that these should embrace these weekly opportunities of gathering with consecrated hearts for the study of the Bible, commending its blessed truths one to another and to the consciences of those who may be induced to meet with them.

A very comfortable Meeting house & an interesting neighborhood, contribute to make this field peculiarly adapted to this work. May the Lord increase them now and more.

Long Plain. — A school has been for some time sustained here, and is attended by the greater portion of those who attend the Meeting preceding it, and also by a number of children in the neighborhood. Of the size and efficiency of the School however, we are without any late intelligence, no statistics having been furnished for this report.

Mattapoisett. — This continues to be an interesting School, and has been continued during the year.

1875- The whole number attending is 34. average attendance 24. Two small Bible classes of adults are maintained. The school has been seldom visited by the committee during the year, but we desire the encouragement of the teachers, and that they may seek unto the Lord for ability rightly to discharge their interesting duty, and we are persuaded that His blessing will follow the work, that is truly done in His name.

For the Committee

Nov. 25. 1875.

Henry J. Torrel
Mary C. Baylies.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held Nov 25. 1875. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Abner Howland & Priscilla B. Locum - from Long Plain, Lydia A. Rickerson & Charlotte Conner, who are all present.

The Clerk of the Meeting being absent, Susan T. Thompson was appointed clerk for the day, and Mary C. Baylies Assistant.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

A request was received from New Bedford Preparative Meeting, that the afternoon Meeting on First day should be discontinued for the present, the school to be held as heretofore commencing with a solemn religious opportunity. After consideration, & having the concurrence of Men Friends, it was decided to grant the request, trusting that the time as previously may be so spent before the Lord, as to bring strength and encouragement to those who attend.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude. Susan T. Thompson
Clerk for the day.

1 mo - 1876 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held Nov. 24 - 1876. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Anne R. Anthony and Lydia G. Howland, from Long Plain - Rebecca S. Cifford and Azubah Cannon, who are present except two.

Our beloved Friend Margaret A. Hathaway attended this Meeting, presenting a satisfactory Minute from Farmington Monthly Meeting, endorsed by Farmington Quarterly Meeting New York - expressive of unity with her as a minister, and with her present religious engagement. Her company and services of our dear Friend, have been very acceptable to us, and the Clerk is left at liberty to sign an indorsement on her certificate - conformable to the above.

The report of the Auditors showing the distribution of the income of the Charitable Fund of our friends Abram Shearman Jr. has been read and accepted, and the same committee, with the addition of Ruth Almy are reappointed to Committee unite with a similar Committee from the our Mens Meeting, to attend to that service for the A. Shearman ensuing year - viz Rachel S. Howland, Lydia Friend T. Howland, Sarah H. Anthony, Anna R. Dunbar, Anna G. Wood, Susan T. Thompson & Ruth Almy.

The joint committee appointed in the 12 mo - 1874. to promote the cause of Temperance among our members, and in the community presented a report, which was accepted in concurrence with our Friends, & we appoint Anna G. Wood, Susan T. Thompson, Ruth S. Wood, Hannah S. Loring and Rachel S. Howland, to attend to that service the ensuing year.

A removal certificate from New York Monthly Meeting, on behalf of our dear friends William Thompson, has been read and accepted in concurrence with our Friends.

An epistle from our dear sisters of Baltimore Yearly Meeting, has been acceptably read at this time.

1876. We are informed by Mrs. Friends that Joshua L. Macomber & Mary G. Hille of Mattapoisett, (the latter not a member of our Religious Society) intend marriage with each other. We appoint Sarah A. Holmes and Susan L. Shipps, to make inquiries as to the cleanness of Mary G. Hille to proceed in marriage and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The joint committee under appointment on the concern of this Meeting on behalf of the inmates of the jail, the House of Correction & of the Alms House in this City presented the following report viz -

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to labor as may might open on behalf of the inmates of the jail, the House of Correction & Alms House in this city and report from time to time to the Meeting, now present their third report.

In the nature of the concern it is not to be expected that we can give to any considerable extent, the details either of our movements, or their results. The activity of the Committee has been mainly that of its individual members, the results however salutary and profitable, can only be fully known to Him who has made it our duty as followers of his dear Son, to compassionate the needy, and friendless, and to minister to those who are in prison.

While there has been but little of collective effort, individual members of the committee have borne in mind the duties involved in their appointment under the concern of the Monthly Meeting, and it is believed that most have to some extent, had their sympathies quickened, and their sense of obligation enlarged, by being in this way brought into closer connection with the children of poverty and crime.

To relieve the sufferer is an impulse of humanity, our holy faith elevates and quickens this emotion, and prompts to self-sacrificing

1mo-1876 effort, for the bodily and spiritual well being of all who are in want, and all who having fallen to the flesh are reaping the harvest of corruption. It does us all good, thus to be linked by the divine spirit of Charity, with those whose condition makes them the objects of our Christian regard.

Many visits have been made to the House of Correction and the Alms House.

Generally there has been a desire and an opportunity for a word of exhortation and a season of prayer, and when the visit has been a silent one, it has been blessed, twice blessed, for to visit the prisoner is to administer help and hope, to take the friendless one by the hand is to communicate comfort, while to the Christian visitor, thus to do good and communicate is to experience the truth of the Savior's declaration, "inasmuch as ye have done it to one of the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto me".

Several of our visiting public Friends, have been led to visit the House of Correction with satisfaction to themselves and as we have reason to believe, to the comfort & edification of the inmates. Assurances have been given by those in charge of both these institutions, that our humble labors have been acceptable, and wishes have been expressed for their continuance. Under the feelings of gratitude and encouragement which the retrospect has excited, we would recommend that the concern be continued, under the care of a committee of this Meeting.

Sarah A. Holmes

James B. Longden

1mo-27-1876

This report has been read and accepted. The same committee is appointed upon the subject, with the exception of our late dear friend Dorcas F. Tucker, who has been removed from us by death, and the addition of

1mo 96. Sylvia G. Howland, and they are requested to embrace offerings for the improvement of this class, by holding Religious Meetings among them and in other ways, and report to this Meeting next year. The committee are as follows.

Sarah A. Holmes, Rhoda T. Gifford, Hannah Sears, Rachel S. Howland, Anna G. Wood and Sylvia G. Howland.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood

Clerk.

2mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 2mo-24-1876. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Elizabeth Lawrence and Elizabeth Crago - from Long Plain Adelaide F. Wilbur and Lydia A. Rickelson, who are present except one.

We are informed through Long Plain Preparative Meeting that Hannah H. Howland, her daughter, Abby H. Howland, and her minor son Irving, have removed within the limits of New York Monthly Meeting and have had no certificate. We appoint Anna G. Wood and Rachel S. Howland to write with a similar committee of Men Friends, to prepare one on their behalf and present to a future Meeting.

The committee appointed in the case of Mary G. Hilles, report, that they find nothing to present her proceeding in marriage with Joshua L. Macomber, a member of this Monthly Meeting. The written consent of the surviving parents of each has been produced and read. The parties are therefore allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the good order of our Society, and Sarah A. Holmes and Susan S. Gifford are appointed to write with a similar committee of Men Friends to take the oversight thereof and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

2mo. 1876

An unusual number of our members have, during the last few months been removed by death, and the warning to us appears solemn & impressive. The following Minute upon the subject, was produced at this time and read. It is fully adopted by the meeting, and directed to be placed on our records as the expression of our feelings upon the subject. The remembrances, particularly of our dear friend Dorcas F. Tucker, of her Christian virtues, the sense of our loss in her removal and of her unspeakable gain, have solemnized and tendered our hearts.

The Minute alluded to, is as follows.

In a retrospect of the counts of the United of which this is the closing month, our hearts are afresh bowed under a sense of the loss we have sustained in the removal by death of an unusual number of our members. A large proportion of those thus taken away have been the aged, who had passed the allotted period of three score years and two, and may be said to have been gathered, as shocks of corn fully ripe in their season. But for our beloved friend Dorcas F. Tucker, we had reason to expect a few more opportunities for usefulness. That time would be quickened for further service for Christ in the militant Church and in the world. But the solemn summons came to her which must so soon come to us, "Steward, give an account of thy stewardship, for thou mayest be no longer steward".

After severe inward conflict in the near prospect of leaving all the closest earthly ties, she was enabled to say, "Thy will Oh God! and not mine be done"; and the sweetly consoling assurance was quickened, that a place was prepared for her in one of those many mansions, promised by the Saviour to those who love him.

Through weeks of great physical suffering her mind was stayed on God. "I should like if it were His will to live a little longer, to accomplish more Christian work," were her

2 mo 1876 our souls, left as a legacy of encouragement to those who may remain a little while among the whitened fields of earth, where there is great need of faithful laborers. In this tender remembrance of her last desire, may we accept afresh the impressive charge, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He would send forth laborers into his harvest," and receiving our allotted portion of work, what our hands find to do, let us do with our might, remembering that there is no labor nor device, in the grave whither we too are hastening.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

3 mo. At our Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 3 mo - 23 - 1876. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Cong. are Ruth Smith & Alice W. Stocum - from Long Plain Rebecca S. Howland & Sarah B. Glade who are present except two.

The assistant clerk being absent Mary C. Baylies is appointed to that service for the day.

The Queries with answers thereto from each of our Preparative Meetings have been read in this & a summary prepared which we forward to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by our representatives who are Lydia A. Rickerson Mary D. Bennett, Sylvia G. Howland Ruth S. Selano, Fanny E. Howland & Sarah A. Holmes.

The time for which the Clerks of this Meeting were appointed having nearly expired we appoint Rebecca C. Grinnell, Sarah H. Anthony, Sylvia G. Howland Susan G. Hempton & Susan S. Tripp, to take the subject into consideration & bring forward the names of two Friends suitable to fill those stations and present to our next Monthly Cong.

The committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Joshua S. Macomber and Mary G. Hillis, report that it was orderly conducted, and that the Meeting was large, interesting and satisfactory.

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3mo.

A transcript of an epistle from our dear Sisters of
Long Searcy Cong. has been acceptably read at this time.
The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude

Anna G. Wood. Clerk.

A New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
Friends held 4mo-27-1876. The representatives
from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Miss
W. Hoar and Hannah G. Wing, from Long Searcy
Arubah Cannon and Betsey G. Wood, who are
all present.

The Committee appointed last month
when the subject of clerks was united in
proposing the name of Anna G. Wood for Clerk,
and Susan T. Thompson for assistant Clerk,
which being acceptable to this Meeting, they
are appointed to those services respectively for
the ensuing year or until another appointment.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting
were all in attendance except one, who was
prevented by sickness.

The following request from Benjamin H.
Kirby and his wife Cynthia A. Kirby to become
members of our Religious Society has been read
at this time viz.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.
Trusting it would be a means of our growth
in grace, by being attached to the Society of
Friends, we request with your approval to become
members thereof. Benjamin H. Kirby
Cynthia A. Kirby

3mo 22-1876.

We appoint Susan G. Kempton & Hannah
G. Wing to unite with a similar committee
from the New Meeting to visit them on the
account and report to a future Meeting.

The time for which the Overseers of this Cong.
were appointed having nearly expired, we

appoint Susan G. Kempton, Rebecca S. Howland and Sarah F. Anthony, Louisa Crook, Rachel S. Howland and Betsey G. Wood to unite with a similar Committee from the Men's Mng. to bring forward the names of both Men & Women Friends suitable to fill that Station and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

A transcript of an epistle from our dear Sisters of Dublin Yearly Meeting, has been acceptably read at this time.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood

Clerk -

A New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 3 mo - 28 - 1876. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mng. are Mary C. Bennett & Susan G. Kempton, from Long Plain Sarah B. Glade & Rebecca A. Gifford - who are all present.

The joint Committee appointed to propose the names of Friends for Overseers in this Monthly Meeting, for the ensuing year have presented the following viz. for New Bedford Preparative Meeting, Charles R. Tucker, Matthew Howland, Henry T. Wood, Rebecca C. Ginnell, Mary C. Baylies & Ruth S. Wood, for Long Plain, Edward G. Dillingham, Joshua L. Macomber, Arnold G. Tripp, Ann A. Macomber, Susan S. Tripp and Adelaide V. Wilbur - for Matthew Barney and Sarah Swain, which being satisfactory they are appointed to that service accordingly for the ensuing year.

The Committee appointed to visit Benjamin H. & Cynthia A. Kirby on account of their request, have presented the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to visit Benjamin H. & Cynthia Kirby on account of their request to become members of our Religious Society have attended to that duty.

Our interview with them was very satisfactory and we believe they are sincerely desirous of making progress in the way of Truth.

They are united in recommending their admission as members. Elders Vroom

New Bedford

S mo.

William G. Eving

Susan G. Hempton

Hannah S. Eving

which has been accepted in concurrence with Men's Friends and they are accordingly received as members of our Religious Society.

Susan T. Thompson and Ruth S. Wood are appointed to inform Cynthia A. Kirby of the judgment of this Meeting.

The joint Committee appointed by this Meeting on the subject of Temperance have presented the following partial report of their work.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Monthly Meetings Committee on the subject of Temperance to whom was referred the communication from the Yearly Meetings Committee on the same subject, have attended to the duty with which they were charged.

They would inform the Meeting that they they have made a canvass, nearly complete of our members with reference to the pledge proposed by the Yearly Meetings Committee.

The work will doubtless be completed in time to meet the wishes of the Committee. Should the Monthly Meeting be willing, the Committee will proceed to finish their work and send the result directly to the Yearly Meetings Committee. For the Committee

S mo. 25-76

James B. Congdon.

This report has been accepted by this meeting, and the request contained therein has been granted.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna C. Worrel Clerk -

A New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women held 6 mo - 22 - 1876. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sophia Ricketts & Mary M. Underhill - from Long Plain Elizabeth H. Worrel and Phoebe S. Delano - who are present except one.

Our beloved friend Rachel Binford from Haysville Monthly Meeting Tennessee - Fumano G. Landland from Deep River Monthly Meeting North Carolina, John P. Pennington from Spiceland Monthly Ing. David Douglass from Haysville Monthly Ing. Indiana, Harriet N. Jones from Litchfield Monthly Meeting Maine, attended this Meeting, presenting satisfactory testimonials from their respective Meetings, all expressive of unity with them and with their present religious engagements - their company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

We have also the acceptable company of Melissa J. Pennington companion to her husband John P. Pennington who is also furnished with a satisfactory Minute. The Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Mens Meeting in signing inclosures on their certificates conformable to the above -

The Queries with answers to the First Second and Third from each of our Preparative Meetings have been read in this, and a summary prepared from the answers, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Ing by our representatives who are Phoebe S. Delano Ruth S. Worrel, Sophia Ricketts, Adelaide V. Wilbur and Mary E. Baylies.

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Susan T. Thompson on behalf of the
committee appointed last month - reports
that they have visited Cynthia A. Kirby
to inform her that she has been received
into membership.

The business of the Meeting being
finished we conclude

Anne G. Urie

Clk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 7mo - 27 - 1876. The representatives from New
Bedford Preparative Meeting are Anne R. Anthony
and Lydia T. Howland - from Long Plain Susan S.
Tripp and Sylvia D. Weeks, who are present except two.

The representatives to the Quarterly Mtg. report that
they all attended.

The report of the committee having charge of the
Boarding School at Providence has been read, and is
acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Stanley Humphrey from
Worcester England, attended this Meeting, presenting
certificates of unity from Worcester and Thropten
Monthly Meeting, endorsed by Western Quarterly
Meeting - also a minute from the Meeting of Ministers
and Elders held in London 5mo - 1875 -

His certificates, together with his company and
Gospel labors have been truly acceptable to us.

Our dear friends Peleg and Phoebe B. Slocum
informed this Meeting, that they had been requested
and felt drawn to accompany Sarah W. Goldsland
of Cassabronough Monthly Meeting Maine, in her
religious visit to Ohio and Iowa Yearly Meetings -
for which she has been liberated by her friends -

We unite with the Mens Meeting in liberating
them as companions to our dear friend and the
Clk. is directed to unite with the Clk. of the
Mens Meeting, in furnishing them with a suitable
certificate.

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We have appointed our friends Hannah Sears
Mary Ann Shade, Alice W. Stoen, May T. Hordland
Mary Wood, Betsy B. Luce, Lydia H. Wood &
Rachel S. Hordland, to call on our aged & infirm
members who are unable to attend our meetings
and are deprived of many of the religious privileges
which we enjoy, and read to them extracts from
the Minutes of our late Yearly Meeting, and the
epistles addressed thereto.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished
we conclude -

Anna G. Wood Clerk -

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 8mo - 24 - 1876 - The representatives from New
Bedford Preparative Meeting are Susan G. Kempton
and Rhoda Ann Tripp - from Long Plain -
Rebecca A. Gifford and Louisa K. Geniste,
who are present except one.

Epistles from our dear Sisters of London
and Dublin Yearly Meetings, have been read
and have seemed especially sweet & acceptable
to us at this time.

A removal certificate from Dartmouth
Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Benjamin R. Akin,
has been accepted in concurrence with Minutes.

We also unite with the Mens Meeting
in receiving Henry B. minor son of Benjamin
R. Akin into membership with our Religious
Society -

The business of the Meeting being
finished we conclude -

Anna G. Wood
Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held June 28 1876. The representatives from New
Bedford Reparatice Meeting are Sarah Wilson and
Elizabeth Hinkson, from Concord Mass. Susan B. Brown
and Virginia L. Weeks who are present except two.

The Queries with answers to the three usually considered at this time have been read & a summary prepared therefore, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Friends, Anne R. Anthony, Sarah W. Anthony, Elizabeth H. Wood, Mary Ann Loring, & Charlotte Cowen, whom we appoint our representatives.

Anna G. Wood. 1846.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends,
held Nov. - 26 - 1876 - The representatives from New
Bedford Preparative Meeting are, Hettie E. Whitcomb
and, Hannah Sears, from Long Plain, Susan F.
Shippey & Mrs. A. Macomber; who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting, were all in attendance except one, who informs that she was not able to attend.

Our dear friend Josiah Holmes Jr. returned at this time a Minute granted him in June 1875 - for religious service within the limits of Rhode Island and Smithfield Society Meetings. He informed us that much of this service had been accomplished, but owing to impaired health and other causes, the whole had not been completed. He also presented

returning Minutes from Rhode Island & Smithfield
Quarterly Meetings, & from Rhode Island, Swansea,
South, Kingston, Providence, Weybridge & Bolton,
Monthly Meetings, which have been read and are
accepted to sit. This Meeting united with the
Men's and granting him a General of his certificate
for such further labor within these Meetings, as he
may feel called to perform.

Our dear friend Sarah A. Holmes, returned
at the same time a Minute furnished her as our
friends to her husband, and also presented satisfac-
tory returning Minutes from each of the Meetings
mentioned above.

The business of the Meeting being finished
we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

A New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 11 mo - 23 - 1876 - The representatives from New
Bedford Presbytery being one Ruth Smith and
Hannah Sears, from Kingston Presb. S. Colman, &
Sarah B. Slater, who are all present.

A Sweet testimony on behalf of our late dear friend
Lydia A. Richardson, which magnifies the power of
Divine Grace which can sustain through a life of vicis-
situde and trial, has been read & is acceptable to us.
The Clerk is directed to record it on the Minutes of this
Meeting - The Testimony is as follows:

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from
henceforth; yea saith the Spirit that they may rest
from their labors, and their works do follow them."

One of our members has been called from earth
to reward, and we believe a tribute of love and esteem
is due to the memory of our dear departed friend -
Lydia A. Richardson, in whose life the all sufficient
power of Divine grace was so abundantly magnified,
leaving her at the close of life's stormy sea; enabling
her through every conflict and close pressing of her
faith, to cling to the Rock Christ Jesus, the true
Redeemer, thus praising His ever excellent name, she

was constrained to invite others to "come taste & see of His goodness."

She was concerned faithfully to occupy that which was intrusted to her until her Lord came, and in reverently belief has received the answer, "Well done, thou good & faithful servant, thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord", and is now forever gathered into the mansions of eternal rest and joy, uniting with the innumerable company around her Father's throne, in the anthem of "Alleluia", Salvation, glory, honor and power, unto the Lord our God."

A poem in celebration in behalf of our friend Elizabeth C. Barnard addressed to her friends recently Meeting has been requested. We appoint Susan L. Thompson & Mary C. Baylis to prepare one on her behalf, and present to our next Monthly Meeting.

The joint committee upon the subject of Education have presented a partial report. We unite with our Friends in continuing the Committee until December next, when a more detailed report will be expected.

The Queries with answers to the First, Second and Third from each of our Preparative Meetings, have been read in this, and a summary prepared therefrom, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends Anna G. Woods, Susan L. Tripp, Mary C. Baylis and Thelma S. Orleans, whom we appoint our representatives.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Mtg. of Women Friends held 12 mo - 28 - 1876. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meetings are Anna L. Lathrop and Sylvia G. Howland, from Long Plain Church Young and Betsey Fidler, who are present except two.

The representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

The Friends to prepare a removal certificate for Elizabeth K. Hasenauer have presented one, which being approved by this Meeting and having the concurrence of Men Friends is decided to be signed and forwarded.

A report of the Committee of Men Friends in the case of Gothua L. Macomber has been read in this Meeting, but owing to the aggravated nature of the offence, we think that a testimony should be borne by us, against such immorality. They do not oppose therefore to unite with the judgment of Men Friends in containing him a member.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna C. Ward Clerk.

A New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 1mo. 25-1877. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Hannah Sears & Ruth Smith, from Long Plain Peter S. Delano & Mary Ann Gales, who are present except one.

We are informed through Long Plain Preparative Meeting, that Sarah L. Macomber requests that her two minor children Lula M. & William B. Macomber be admitted into membership with us. Susan S. Luff and Susan C. Kempton are appointed to unite with a similar committee from the Men's Meeting to visit them on the account & report to a future Meeting.

We unite with Men Friends, in disowning Gothua L. Macomber, from membership with our Religious Society.

The following brief report of the joint committee upon the subject of Temperance has been presented and read in this Meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting

The collective labors of the committee have been mostly confined to that part of the work assigned them, which is set forth in the concluding part of the Minutes: "to carry out as far as practicable the recommendations contained in a circular, sent down by the

Committee appointed on this important subject by the Yearly Meeting.

The results of this action on the part of the Committee has been laid before the Monthly Meeting and having received its sanction was transmitted to the Yearly Meeting. In relation to this subject, it does not appear, that at present, the Committee are called upon to make any further communication. The Committee's labors were, it is understood satisfactory to the Yearly Meeting.

Individually, the members of the Committee have been, it is believed faithful in their own practices to the principles of total abstinence, & faithful to their engagement to labor for its wider adoption.

At this time the Committee have no further communication to make to the Meetings. But looking at the present aspects of the Temperance Cause, and under an apprehension of special duty arising out of our indirect connection with the Yearly Meeting, we would think it expedient to have the Committee continued until the 3d. Nov. and that their final report be delayed until that time.

There is a field wide for the harvest for the work of the Committee, and perhaps they may have it in their power, not only to do somewhat for the cause in our own community, but to contribute in some humble degree to the efforts of the Yearly Meeting.

Submitted for the Committee
 Jano 25. 1877. James B. Longenecker.

We unite with our Friends in accepting this report, and in reappointing the same Committee until their next meeting with the exception of Hannah S. Irving who has resigned and the addition of Hannah Lides.

The joint Committee under appointment on the evening of this Meeting on behalf of the inmates of the Jail, the House of Correction, and of the Almshouse in this City, presented the following report.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The joint Committee appointed Nov 27. 1876 to visit the inmates of the Alms House, House of Correction, and Jail, would now Report.

It is thought that it may be satisfactory to the Meeting to be informed, that during this year, there has been more accomplished in the way of visitations than in any previous year.

Generally these visits have been made by the individual members as they have been led under a sense of duty, and a recognition of their engagement under the appointment of this Meeting, to attend the Meetings held at the House of Correction and Alms House at the appointed times. Some visits have been made when all the members of the Committee have been informed and requested to be present.

At a number of the Meetings public Friends have attended generally under arrangements made by the Committee.

It gives us much pleasure to inform the Meeting that those who have had the official charge of the arrangements of religious services at those institutions have done all in their power to give assistance to the Committee in the discharge of their duty which has been placed upon them by the Meeting. We have reason to believe that those having the immediate charge of the poor and the prison are pleased at the course Friends have taken, and with the visits and services which have resulted from it; and opportunities have not been wanting by which we have been led to believe that many of those who are the subjects of the concern of the Monthly Meeting have been favorably impressed with the evidence of the Meeting's solicitude.

On behalf of the Committee

James B. Longden
Sylvia C. Howland.

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This report has been read and accepted. The same committee is reappointed upon that subject for the ensuing year with the addition of Susan T. Thompson. The committee is as follows- Sarah A. Holmes, Rhoda T. Gifford, Hannah Leas, Rachel T. Howland, Anna G. Wood, Sylvia G. Howland & Susan T. Thompson.

We are informed that Hannah T. Wing requests a removal certificate addressed to Sandwich Monthly Meeting, for herself & her two minor children viz. Mary E. & William G. Wing. We appoint Sarah A. Holmes & Sarah H. Anthony, to unite with a similar committee from the Mens. Ing. and prepare one on their behalf.

Our beloved friend Thomas B. Nichols attended this meeting, presenting a certificate of unity from Passabasso Monthly Meeting Maine. His company and religious services have been acceptable to us, & the club is directed to unite with the club of the Mens. Ing. in signing ^{and} enclosures to his certificate conformable to the above.

We have received information from the Mens. Meeting, that William P. A. Lawrence requests a removal certificate for himself, his wife Elizabeth S. and their minor daughter Mary Alice Lawrence addressed to Springdale Monthly Meeting, Iowa. We appoint Mary C. Baylis and Ruth S. Wood to unite with a similar committee of Men Friends to prepare one and present to our next Monthly Ing.

We have also received from the Mens. Meeting, a communication from Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, which being read and considered was accepted in concurrence with Men Friends.

The Friends belonging to the late Monthly Ing. of Pembroke are now received as members of this Monthly Meeting, and in accordance with Paragraph 1- page 99 of our Discipline we recognize them as a Preparative Ing. belonging to this meeting, to be held on the Third Fifth day of each month, with the privilege of holding a mid week Ing. No meetings to be held on the day of holding our Monthly or Quarterly Meeting. The business of the Ing. being accomplished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk

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New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
2 mo - 27 - 1877. The representatives from New Bedford
Preparative Mng. are Rhoda T. Gifford & Sophia Richards
from Long Plain Louise R. Gennick & Adelaide T. Willard
from Pembroke, from Pembroke Ruth Ann Shepard & Sarah
J. Brown who are all present.

The joint committee appointed last month to
prepare a removal certificate for Hannah S. Young and
family, have presented one, which having the approval
of the and the Men's Mng. is directed to be signed and
forwarded to Sandwich Monthly Meeting.

A similar joint committee in the case of William W.
A. Lawrence, and family, have prepared a removal
certificate on their behalf, which being accepted in concert
with Men Friends is also directed to be signed and
forwarded to Springfield Monthly Mng. - Iowa.

Interesting & acceptable epistles from our dear
sisters of Iowa and Western Yearly Meetings have been
acceptably read at this time.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude

Anna C. Wood Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 3 mo - 22 - 1877. The representatives from New Bedford
Preparative Mng. are Susan Seating & Cynthia A. Kirby
from Long Plain Betsy G. Wood & Arabah Cannon, who
are present except two. No representation from Pembroke,
the account and answers to the Queries were received by mail.

The joint committee upon the subject of Temperance
have presented the following report viz.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

The joint committee to promote the cause of Temperance among
our members and in the community appointed in the First
month 1876. now present their third report since their appoint-
ment. At the Meeting in the First month last, a report was
presented, and the committee continued to the present time.
The action of the committee under the Yearly Meeting is
fully set forth in our former reports. Since our last report,
an associated effort has been made that needs here be
noticed. The minute by which the committee was
constituted speaks of the death of Samuel Adams

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whose name was contained in the original appointment. We apprehend that it is our duty to notice more fully in this report, the connection which our dear friend sustained to the cause, to promote which, the action of this meeting has been taken. To do this, we adopt the language of a report which has already been given to the public.

"He saw" says the report, "that among all classes, intemperance in the use of intoxicating drinks was ruinous to the estates, the bodies, and souls of men. His efforts for the extirpation of this terrible scourge were then commenced, and they ended only with his life. For half a century, he labored in this community for the cause of Temperance. Firm and immovable in the conviction that total abstinence from all that can intoxicate is the only safe position for the individual, the only course open to those who would lead the wanders back to the path way of safety, and the only principle that legislation can profitably take for its guidance, when it would apply the restraints of law to the evil of intemperate drinking".

We have said that this is a field white for the harvest, for the work of this committee. We may add, for all who have a regard for the welfare of men and the well being of the community. The cause of total abstinence from the use of those beverages which produce intoxication makes a call upon the best and most devoted of individuals and associated effort.

The committee has no plan of proceedings to propose for the future. They are impressed with the conviction that it will be well to continue the committee.

The Monthly Meeting will thereby manifest its interest in the work, and have ready for labor an agency prepared for the performance of any duty in the direction which may be presented. The individuals of the committee will have their zeal increased, and their sympathies quickened for any general duty that may present itself in connection with the cause, and all our members will we believe have their interest thereby kept alive, and it may be increased.

It may be proper for the committee to present briefly some of the leading aspects of the Temperance cause at this time.

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1. It is, it is believed very generally acknowledged that the License Law is a failure.
 2. It is believed that the conviction is widening & deepening that with regard to the use of intoxicating drinks, prohibition is the wisest legislation.
 3. There are those conversant with the subject who believe that the present General Court will make some important changes for the better in the existing law.
 4. The work of reform among the intemperate continues to present encouraging aspects.
 5. The conviction it is believed is gaining ground, that the only reliable foundation for a full and permanent reform, must be an individual conviction that our own safety, and the welfare of others call upon us to abstain from the use of intoxicating drink.
 6. In view of existing circumstances it is thought that the Yearly Meeting might profitably cause to be published for general circulation, a brief manual which should set forth the sanitary, social, civil, moral and religious aspects of the subject of Temperance.

For the Committee James S. Longdon
Anna G. Wood
New Bedford
3mo. 22. 1877.

This report has been read and accepted by this Meeting, and the committee having charge of the subject are continued for the ensuing year. They are as follows - Anna G. Wood, Susan T. Thompson, Ruth S. Wood, and Rachel S. Howland.

The joint committee appointed to visit the family of George and Sarah Macomber on account of the request of the mother for the admission into membership of their two minor children viz. Lida May and William B. have presented the following report viz.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

We have attended to our appointment in regard to a request for membership for Lida May & William B. minor children of George & Sarah L. Macomber.

Our interview with the family was interesting & satisfactory, and we are united in believing, that it will be right to receive them as members of our Religious Society; which we

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On behalf of the Committee.

Edmund G. Dillingham

Susan S. Trapp

Benjamin W. Glade

Susan G. Kempton.

which report has been accepted in concurrence with our Friends and they are accordingly received as members of our Society, and Adelaide T. Wilbur is appointed to inform them of the judgment of this Meeting.

The Queries with answers thereto from our several Preparative Meetings have been read in this, and a summary prepared, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Friends Mary E. Baylies, Adelaide T. Wilbur, Sarah H. Anthony, Ruth S. Wood and Phoebe T. Howland, whom we appoint our representatives.

The joint committee upon the subject of Education have presented the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The committee on Education submit the following report, which shows as nearly as they can learn, the state of the Bible Schools in the different Meetings.

New Bedford. The average attendance since the last report of the committee has been twelve officers and teachers and fifty six scholars. The school has recently been increasing in interest and numbers.

The Mission School at the Howland Chapel has been maintained during the year with an average attendance of one hundred. The superintendent and about one half of the teachers at the School are Friends.

Fair Haven. The bible class held immediately after the Meeting on First day numbers 10. Much interest is manifested by the members, and we trust much benefit is experienced.

Acushnet. The school is held regularly at the close of the Meeting on First-day in the form of a Bible class, and consists of 14 members, all of whom are members of our Society except one, and all are adults except three.

3mo-77 The class seems to have become a second part of the Meeting as the members are much attached to it, and believe it is the means of much good. Death has reduced the class during the year, and Lydia Rickert, James Davis and Sylvia Haves, will be much missed.

Long-Plain. The school here seems to be in a prosperous condition; it has been maintained during the entire year with an attendance of 26 scholars, and 4 teachers. Of the scholars 20 are Friends, of the teachers 3.

Mattapoisett. The school has been somewhat unsettled during the year, by the change of superintendents, but the number at present attending is 38 scholars & 5 teachers, making with the librarian a total of 44. There are no Friends' children in attendance.

A large proportion of the scholars attend the Meeting also. The total average attendance at the schools reported is 242 scholars and 23 teachers.

Nine members of this Yearly Meeting are scholars at the Yearly Meeting Boarding School, 5 are in public schools, 6 in private schools and 2 at College. Five of our members are engaged in teaching.

On behalf of the Committee

David S. Wood

A. Henry Wilbur

Susan T. Thompson

which report has been accepted by both Men and Women Friends, and the same Committee who served last year are reappointed, with the exception of Hannah S. Wing removed and the addition of Ruth L. Smith.

An epistle from our dear sisters of Kansas Yearly Meeting, also the General advices contained in our Discipline have been read, and are interesting and acceptable to us.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude -

Anna G. Wood

Bliss.

4mo. 1877. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 4mo. 26. 1877. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Miss W. Thorne & Miss E. Woodland from Long Main, Betsy Hillier and Rebecca A. Gifford who are all present. The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting all attended according to appointment.

The times for which the Clerks of this Meeting were appointed having expired we are united in the dis-appointment of Anna C. Wood for clerk and Susan L. Thompson for assistant clerk for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

Adelaide D. Willard informs that she has attended to her appointment in regard to the admission of the two children of Geo. and Sarah Macomber into membership with us.

Our beloved friend John Y. Hoover attended this Meeting, presenting a satisfactory Minute from Springfield Monthly Meeting of Friends Town, introduced by Springfield Quarterly Meeting, expressing of unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagements. His company and Gospel labors have been very acceptable to us.

Our dear friend Henry A. Johnson accompanied to John Y. Hoover is also acceptably with us, presenting a minute of unity from the same Monthly Mtg. The clerk is directed to write with the Clerk of the Men's Meeting, in signing suitable endorsements on their certificates.

We unite with the Men's Meeting in releasing at his own request, George N. Snow from membership with us.

After serious deliberations we unite with the judgment of Men Friends in retaining Jacob Wood as a member of our Religious Society. We also concur with them, in releasing him from longer holding the position of elder.

William D. Eldridge and Gulielmus P. Swift, having by a written declaration informed this Mtg. of their intention of marriage with each other, we appoint Betsy E. Wood and Susan L. Tripp, to make the usual inquiries in regard to the character

4mo. 74 of Gulielmus S. Swift to proceed in marriage and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The time for which the Overseers of this Meeting were appointed having ^{nearly} expired, we appoint Rachel S. Howland, Susan S. Thompson, Betsy Hiller and Betsy G. Wood, to unite with a committee from the Men's Meeting, to bring forward the names of both Men and Women Friends suitable to fill that station and present to our next Monthly Meeting. The business of the Meeting being finished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood. Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 5mo. 24- 1877. The representatives from New-Bedford Reparatice Meeting, are Susan Leabury and Sarah Long, from Long Plain, Susan S. Tripp and Betsy B. Luce, from Pembroke, Ruth Ann Shepherd, who are present except two.

The assistant clerk being absent, Mary C. Baylis is appointed to that service for the day.

The committee appointed in the case of Gulielmus S. Swift report, that they find nothing to prevent her proceeding in marriage with George D. Eldridge. The written consent of the surviving parents of each has been produced and read. The parties are therefore allowed to solemnize this marriage according to the good order of our Society at the house of Seth S. Swift Fair Haven 6mo. 5- at 7 o'clock P.M. We appoint our friends Rachel S. Howland and Rebecca S. Howland, to unite with a similar committee from the Men's Meeting, to take the oversight thereof, and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Our dear friends Peleg and Probe B. Stevens returned the Minutes granted them by this Meeting as companions to our friend Sarah W. Goodlands of Maine, in her late religious visit to the Greatly Imp- of Ohio and Iowa.

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They also presented returning Minutes from three Meetings and from some of the Meetings constituting them, expressing of their company having been acceptable to the Friends of those Meetings. These, with the account given of the Lord's love & continued faithfulness have been satisfactory to this Meeting.

The joint committee appointed to propose the names Friends for Overseers in this Monthly Meeting for the ensuing year, have presented the following viz. Matthew Howland, Gideon Wood, Peleg Shocum, Edward G. Dillingham, Arnold G. Tripp, Abraham Gifford, Matthew C. Barney, Rebecca C. Grinnell, Mary C. Baylies, Ruth S. Wood, Ann A. Macomber, Betsy Hillar, Susan S. Tripp, Adelaide V. Wilbur, Sarah Lucian and Ruth Ann Shepherd, which being satisfactory to Friends, they are appointed to that service accordingly for the ensuing year.

The time having expired for which the Overseers of the Poor of this Meeting were appointed, we are united in reappointing the same Friends who served last year viz. for New Bedford Preparative Meeting, Mary C. Baylies, Phoebe T. Howland, & Phoebe B. Shocum, for Long Plain, Betsy Hillar, Susan S. Tripp, Adelaide V. Wilbur in the place of Mary Ann Young who requests to be released, and the addition of Sarah Stadel, for Chantucket - Sarah Lucian.

The subject of joining Pembroke Preparative Meeting to that of New Bedford having been brought before us in the Minutes received from that Mtg. we appoint Anna G. Wood Rachel S. Howland, and Betsy ~~E~~ Wood, to unite with a similar committee from the Men's Meeting, to consider the request and report to a future Meeting.

An interesting epistle from our dear sisters of Western Yearly Meeting has been read at this time.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood

Clerk.

Nov. 1877. At New Bedford Monthly Mtg. of Women Friends held Nov-
28th. 1877. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative
Meeting are Susan G. Kempton and Sarah Wing, from
Long Plain Abbie Wood and Rebecca A. Cippner, from
the Preparative Meeting of Pembroke, held in joint session,
James West: who are all in attendance except one.

The committee appointed to attend the marriage of
Guilman P. Swift and William D. Eldridge, report that
it was conducted in an orderly and becoming manner,
and was an interesting occasion.

The Queries, with answers to the three usually considered
at this time, have been read and a summary prepared
from the answers, which we forward to the ensuing
Quarterly Meeting by our friends Ruth S. Wood Rhoda
Ann Tripp, Susan G. Kempton, Phoebe S. Delano & Susan
S. Tripp whom we appoint our representatives.

Benjamin G. Perry and Isabella L. Cowen, (the former
not a member of our Society) having by a written declaration
informed this Meeting of their intention of marriage with
each other, we appoint Phoebe S. Delano & Elizabeth H.
Wood, to make the usual inquiries in regard to the claims
of Isabella L. Cowen to proceed in marriage, and report
to our next Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed last month in relation to
the discontinuance of the Preparative Meeting at
Pembroke a partial report which has been accepted by
both Men & Women Friends and is as follows,

To the Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed to visit Friends and their
Meeting at Pembroke, report, that we have given
attention thereto, We have visited them and mingled
with them in their families, and in meeting, and
were very kindly welcomed, but believing that
further attention might be useful, we do not feel
ready to make a final report.

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Edward G. Dillingham

Anna G. Wood

The committee are continued for further service.
The business of the Meeting being accomplished
we conclude.

Anna G. Wood clerk.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 7mo. 26. 1877. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Mary C. Baylies and Susan Seabury, from Long Plain, Susan S. Tripp and Esther Hammett, from Pembroke, Lydia E. Randall, who are present except two, for the absence of whom satisfactory reasons are assigned.

The clerk of this meeting being absent, Susan S. Tripp was appointed clerk, and Mary C. Baylies assistant clerk for the day.

The representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting were all in attendance at that time.

The committee appointed in the case of Isabella L. Cowen report, that they find nothing to prevent her proceeding in marriage with Benjamin G. Perry. The written consent of the parents of each has been produced and read. The parties are therefore allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the good order of our Society, ^{a religious meeting appointed to be held at} at the house of Isaac L. Cowen in Fair Haven, on the 14th. of 8th. mo. at 2 1/2 o'clock P. M.

The appoint our friends Rachel S. Howland and Ruth S. Wood to unite with a similar committee from the Men's Meeting, to take the oversight thereof, and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The following communication received from the Quarterly Meeting has been read.

"Your attention has been called to the request of the Yearly Meeting, that our Monthly Meetings should appoint committees of those interested in the work of Foreign Missions, as soon as practicable, to aid in carrying out the concerns of the Yearly Meeting, and cooperating with its committee in promoting this interesting work."

In accordance with this recommendation we appoint the following committee, to unite with a committee of Men Friends, to aid in the prosecution of the concern, viz. Lydia H. Wood, Susan Seabury, Phoebe S. Howland, Adelaide C. Wilbur and Sarah Jane Taber.

8 mo 77 The business of the meeting being accomplished, we conclude.

Susan S. Tripp Clerk for the day.

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8 mo. 23. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Harmon Friends, held 8 mo. 23 - 1877. The representations from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth S. Wood and Alice Tucker, from Long Plain, Louisa R. Quish and Betsey G. Wood, from Pembroke, Sarah J. Brown, who are present except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason is assigned. The clerk of the Meeting being absent, Susan S. Thompson is appointed clerk and Mayhew Baylis assistant clerk for the day.

The committee appointed to attend the marriage of Benjamin G. Perry and Isabella L. Conner, report that it was satisfactorily conducted, according to the good order of Friends, and was an interesting occasion.

At the request of Friends the shuffles were raised, and our beloved friend Josiah Holmes jr. presented to this Meeting a returning Minute granted him in Tenths mo. last, to attend the Quarterly Meetings of Rhode Island and Smithfield, and the Meetings constituting them, also to visit families and individuals within their limits, as Turk may open the way. He expressed that this labor of love had been accomplished to satisfaction and much peace of mind. He also brought a returning Minute from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting, and one from Smithfield Monthly Meeting, signifying that his company and gospel labors had been acceptable, all of which is satisfactory to us.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Susan S. Thompson

Clerk for the day.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 9 mo - 27. 1877. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth Almy and Hannah Sears, from Long Plain, Rebecca S. Howland and Elizabeth H. Wood, from Pembroke Mary G. West, who are present except one.

A certificate from Providence Monthly Meeting on behalf of our dear friend Mary A. Smith a member and elder of that Meeting, has been read and accepted in concurrence with Men Friends, and Ruth S. Woods and Susan T. Thompson are appointed to visit her, and extend a cordial Christian greeting on our behalf. The queries with answers to the three usually considered at this time have been read, and a summary prepared therefrom, which are forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives who are Ephraim G. Howland, Arabah Cannon, Ruth Ann Shephard and Ruth S. Woods.

The committee to whom was referred the subject of discontinuing the Preparative Meeting held in Pembroke and attaching the Friends of that Meeting to New Bedford Preparative Meeting, have presented the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed on the application of Friends of Pembroke Preparative Meeting report, that we have given attention to the subject, and have visited them in their Meetings, and after considering the matter to the best of our ability, would recommend that the Preparative Meeting be discontinued for the present, and the Friends in that Meeting be attached to New Bedford Preparative Meeting, and would also suggest that a committee may still have care of the Meeting, to assist and encourage Friends there in their isolated position.

On behalf of the committee

Edward G. Dillingham
Anna G. Wood.

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which report has been read and accepted in concurrence with New Friends, and in accordance with the suggestions contained therein, we appoint Anna G. Wood, Rachel S. Howland, Betsy G. Wood and Ruth S. Wood to extend a loving care to that small and isolated Meeting. The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.
Anna G. Wood clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Young Friends held 10 mo 25-1877. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Anne R. Anthony and Elizabeth Bailey - from Long Plain Arubah Cannon and Adelaide C. Willard who are all present.

The clerk of the Meeting being absent, Susan T. Thompson is appointed to act as clerk and Susan S. Tripp assistant clerk for the day.

Ruth S. Wood on behalf of the committee appointed to extend a welcome to our dear friend Mary A. Smith, reports, that they have attended to their appointments.

The representatives to the Yearly Meeting were all in attendance at that time except one.

A request has been received from Carrie D. C. Howland that she and her two minor children Cyrus Chapman, and Blanche Russell Howland may be admitted into membership with us. We therefore appoint Ruth S. Wood, and Rachel S. Howland, to visit with a similar committee from the Men's Meeting to visit them on the account and report to a future Meeting. The request is, as follows.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

I have been feeling for some time past that it would be a very great satisfaction to my mind, for myself and children to become members of some Christian Society, and as I also feel fully persuaded, that the Society of Friends would be my choice, I would request for myself and two minor children, Cyrus Chapman Howland and Blanche Russell Howland, my husband being already a member, that we be admitted as members of your Society.

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Respectfully,

Carrie D. C. Howland.

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The following communication was received from the committee appointed by our last Yearly Meeting to aid in elevating the condition of the hitherto neglected and ignorant classes in the Southern States. We recognize the importance and necessity of the work, and appoint Susan S. Tripp, Thelie J. Howland, Rhoda Ann Tripp, Betsey B. Luce, Adelaide D. Wilbur and Anne H. Anthony, to unite with a committee of New Friends in collecting funds for its furtherance.

The communication is as follows.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Dear friends, The committee appointed by the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends, to aid the hitherto neglected and ignorant classes in the Southern States, as set forth in a postscript to North Carolina epistle of last year, hereby requests each of our Monthly Meetings to make contributions, and appoint one or more of their members to solicit contributions in their respective meetings, and forward the same to the Treasurer, Matthew Howland New Bedford previous to 11 mo - 1 - 1877.

On behalf of the Committee
Joseph E. Macomber Clerk.

Portsmouth N.H.

9 mo - 15 - 1877.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude,
Susan T. Thompson Clerk for the day.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 11 mo 22 - 1877. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rhoda Ann Tripp and Sophia Ricketson - from Long Plain - Abby Wood and Mary S. Glass, who are present except one who was not able to attend.

Our beloved friend Peace Jones from China's Monthly Meeting Maine, attended this Meeting presenting a certificate of unity from that Meeting. Her company and gospel labors have been acceptable and satisfactory to us;

1877. and the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Men's Meetings, in signing a suitable indorsement on her Minute.

The Queries with answers to the First, Second and Third, from each of our Preparative Meetings, have been read in this, and a summary prepared therefrom, which was forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, by our friends, Ruth Almy, Sarah B. Glade, Herry E. Howland and Phoebe S. Delano, whom we appoint our representatives. The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna C. Wood

Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 12 mo - 27 - 1877. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rhoda Ann Trapp and Hannah Sears, from Long Plain - Charlotte Crows and Betsy Keller, who are all present.

The representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting, were all in attendance according to appointment.

The joint committee appointed in Tenth month last, to visit Maria D. C. Howland, on account of her request for herself and her two minor children, to become members of our Religious Society have presented the following report viz. To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends.

The joint committee appointed in Tenth month last, to visit Maria D. C. Howland on account of her request for herself and her two minor children viz. Cyrus Chapman Howland and Blanche Russell Howland, to become members of the Society report, that they have visited her, and are united in believing, that she is convinced of the truth of the principles held by Friends, and is sincerely desirous of joining herself and her children thereto, her husband being already a member and concerning her in.

Which we submit to the judgment of the Monthly Mtg.

On behalf of the committee

Gideon Wood

Joseph S. Howland.

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This report has been accepted in concurrence with New Friends, and they are accordingly received into membership with us. Letty E. Howland and Rhoda T. Gifford are appointed to inform them of the judgment of this Meeting.

The following request to be released from membership, has been received from Abby L. Howland, formerly a resident of this City, but for some time past living in Brooklyn New York.

To the New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends.
I am desirous of withdrawing my membership from your Meeting; and you will please accept my designation therefore.

Respectfully Abby L. Howland.

Brooklyn

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We accordingly appoint Sarah H. Anthony, Anna G. Wood and Susan T. Thompson to communicate with her upon the subject and report to a future Meeting. The joint committee appointed in the 10th mo. to collect funds in aid of the neglected and ignorant classes in the Southern States have attended to their appointment and have presented the following report.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed to receive contributions from Friends on account of the concerns of the Yearly Mtg. in respect to those in North Carolina would report, that they have received and handed to the Treasurer Matthew Howland 1034 50/100 dollars.

For the committee

New Bedford

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Robert B. Labeo

Anna R. Anthony.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood,

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 1 mo. 24. 1878. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth Army and Mary C. Bennett, from Long River, Azubah Cannon and Mary Ann Glade, who are all present.

Fanny E. Howland on behalf of the committee reports that they have attended to their appointment in the case of Carrie D. C. Howland and her two children.

Our beloved friend Charles F. Jones, attended this meeting, presenting a satisfactory Minute from Yearly Monthly Meeting N. F. His company and Gospel labors, have been very acceptable to us, and the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Men's Meeting, in signing a suitable indorsement on his minute.

We unite with Men Friends in accepting a removal certificate from Westport Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Noah Gifford.

The committee appointed to communicate with Abby H. Howland on account of her request to be released from membership, have presented the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meetings

In accordance with the direction of the Monthly Meeting we have communicated with Abby H. Howland. She expresses thankfulness for the manifestation of kindness towards her, but is decided in her wish to be released from membership in our Society, as she has connected herself with those who worship in a different manner. We believe her to be conscientious in this matter, and think that further labor from us will not be useful.

Sarah H. Anthony

New Bedford

Susan T. Thompson.

1 mo. 24. 1878.

Anna G. Wood.

which report has been united with by this and the Men's Meeting and her request has been granted. Sarah A. Holmes is appointed to inform her of the conclusion of this Meeting. The auditors report of their examination of the accounts of the joint committee to distribute the income from the Abram Prentiss fund, has been read.

It appears that that committee have during the year distributed to 33 individuals, the sum of 176 dolls. and that the balance remaining on hand is 30.74 / 100 dolls.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude. Anna G. Wood.

1898. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
 June 28th. 1898. The representatives from New Bedford
 Preparative Meeting are Abby S. Kelley and Ruth L. Wood,
 from Lima Maine, Belton L. Allen and Susan S. Shipps,
 who are all present.

Sarah A. Holmes reports that she has attended to her
 appointment in the case of Abby S. Woodland.

We have received through New Bedford Preparative Meeting
 the following requests for membership etc.

To the Friends Monthly Meeting New Bedford, Mass.
 Dear friends; After attending Meetings of your Society,
 reading your books, and making ourselves acquainted
 with the discipline of the Society of Friends, we feel and
 believe it is the only true way, to worship the Lord Jesus
 Christ, and earnestly desiring to follow him and do his
 commandments, and to be in closer bonds of unity in
 the love and worship of our Lord Jesus Christ, we jointly
 make this application to become members after due
 consideration prayerfully.

We are yours Thomas G. Taylor
 New Bedford Lydia B. Taylor

June - 30 - 1898.

Which being read and considered we appoint our friends
 Ruth S. Wood and Ruth L. Smith to unite with a
 similar committee from the Men's Meeting, to visit
 them on the account and report to a future Meeting.
 Our beloved friend Silas H. Bartland attended this
 Meeting presenting a certificate of unity from
 Linnington Monthly Meeting Maine. His company
 and religious services have been acceptable to us,
 and the Club is desirous to unite with the Club
 of the Men's Meeting in signing a suitable endorse-
 ment on his minute.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished, we
 conclude.

Susan S. Shipps

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of women Friends,
held 3mo - 28 1878. The representations from New Bedford
Preparative Meeting are Ruth E. Smith and Sophia
Nickerson - from Long Plain Sarah B. Glade and
Charlotte Corcoran, who are present except one.

Our beloved friend Sarah W. Goddard from Cassatt's
Monthly Meeting - Martha V. Hunt, from South Dukes
Monthly Meeting Maine, and Robert Knight from
Mississinewa Monthly Meeting, Indiana, attended
this Meeting, presenting certificates of unity from their
several Monthly Meetings, the Minutes of Robert Knight
being also included by Mississinewa Quarterly Meeting.
Their company and religious services have been acceptable to us,
and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the Miss
Meeting in signing suitable endorsements on their Minutes.

The Queries with answers thereto from each of our Preparative
Meetings have been read, in this, and a summary prepared
which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, by our
representatives who are Mary A. Smith, Sarah E. Ashtown,
Adelaide E. Wilbur, Sylvia C. Hunt and Sarah W. Glade.
We are informed through New Bedford Preparative M.
that Matthew Barry and Elizabeth G. Macy (the latter
not a member of our Religious Society) having by a
written communication declared their intention of
marriage with each other, and having the consent
of the only surviving parent, we appointed Sarah
Linn and Sarah A. Holmes to make the usual
inquiries in regard to the cleanness of Elizabeth G.
Macy to proceed in marriage and report to our
next Monthly Meeting.

The joint Committee appointed to visit Thomas G.
Tayler and his wife Lydia B. on account of their request,
have presented the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

In accordance with our appointment we have visited
Thomas G. Tayler and his wife Lydia B. to great
satisfaction and are united in recommending that
their request be granted.

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Josiah Holmes Jr.
John F. Lusk

Ruth S. Wood
Ruth E. Smith

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which report has been accepted by this and the Mens Meeting and they are accordingly received as members of our Religious Society, and Susan T. Thompson is appointed to inform Lydia B. Taylor of the decision of this Meeting.

We unite with Men Friends in accepting a removal certificate from Swansea Monthly Meeting on behalf of Thomas F. and his wife Mary Haffords. Mary Ann King and Rebecca Howland are appointed to visit Mary Haffords on the account and extend to her a Christian greeting.

The joint committee upon the subject of Temperance have presented the following report. viz.

The joint committee appointed by the Monthly Mtg. Decr. 22-1877. to promote the cause of Temperance among our members and in the community report.

The committee have all been interested in the work, and have all given in the influence of their example and testimony, while some have been enabled to engage in more active efforts. As regards our own Society, our discipline condemns the traffic and use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, and our Quenis are a constant reminder. Our own membership is measurably clear in this respect, and we earnestly hope the day is not distant when for examples sake and the love of the dear Master, our hands shall be clear, not only of the personal use, of any kind of spirituous liquors, but also of putting them before others in the exercise of hospitality.

The agencies in operation in the community to preserve and restore are various, and numerous, but the evil is still vast and intricate. While as a Society we ever strive to maintain our elevated position, may we realize our responsibility to others and to the Lord in this matter.

We think this important subject should continue to claim the attention of the Meeting.

On behalf of the committee

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James B. Longdon
Susan T. Thompson

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which report has been read and accepted by the Meeting. The committee who gave attention to the subject last year have been reappointed with the addition of Adelaide F. Wilbur and Rebecca C. Grinnell.

The joint committee under ^{appointment on} the concurrence of this Meeting on behalf of the inmates of the jail, the House of Correction, and the Alms House in this city, presented the following report viz.

The joint committee appointed by the Monthly Meeting 1mo. 25-1847. to visit inmates of Alms House, House of Correction and jail. Report - The committee have nothing new to communicate or suggest. The work contemplated and provided for, when under the concurrence of the Monthly Meeting the first Minute was made, and the first committee appointed has been steadily pursued, and during the past year its character has not changed nor its extent diminished.

There has appeared no occasion for us to vary the methods of our proceedings, and our work has therefore been limited to individual visitation, and to the care required for making the necessary arrangements for the visits to the House of Correction and Alms House, of such Ministering Friends as have expressed a desire to attend the religious meetings of those places.

During the past year the number of visits has been greater than in any previous one. To the poor, and to the prisoners the gospel has been preached; and while we have reason to believe that these labors have been welcome, and have been blessed, we are equally confident that the presence at the stated hours of service of Christian brothers and sisters, although such presence and a look of sympathizing solicitude and love, constituted their only message, has not been without an influence for good.

This concern is not now confined to this Meeting. There is rarely a service at the House of Correction, without the attendance of one or more representatives from other Christian bodies of our city.

It is gratifying and encouraging to be able to state the pastor having charge of these institutions, and all the officials connected with them, have done

1848. every thing in their power to assist the committee.
On behalf of the committee

James B. Longdon
Anna G. Wood.

This report has been read and accepted, and the same committee has been reappointed upon that subject for the ensuing year viz. Sarah A. Holmes, Rhoda T. Gifford, Hannah Laws, Rachel S. Howland, Anna G. Wood, Sylvia C. Howland & Susan T. Thompson.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood

Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 4 mo - 25 - 1848. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Hettie C. Howland, and Sarah Wing, from Long Plain, Mariah Scaffards and Adelaide C. Wilbur who are all present.

Mary Ann Wing on behalf of the committee appointed to visit, Mary Scaffards on account of the receipt of her certificate, reports that they have attended to their appointment.

Susan T. Thompson also reports that she has informed Lydia B. Taylor of her reception as a member among us. Our beloved friend Obadiah Chace, attended this meeting presenting a satisfactory Minute from Swansea Monthly Meeting, expressive of unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagement; his company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us, and the Church is authorized to sign an endorsement on his Minute conformable to the above.

The committee appointed in the case of Elizabeth G. have reported, that they find nothing to prevent her proceeding in marriage with Matthew Barney. The parties are therefore allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the good order of our Society, at a religious meeting appointed to be held at the house of Elizabeth G. May, on Darling Street Nantucket,

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We appoint our friends Sarah Lucian, Sarah A. Holmes,
& Rachel S. Wood, to unite with a similar committee
from the Men's Meeting, to take the oversight thereof
and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The time for which the clerk of this Meeting was
appointed having expired, we are united in the
appointment of Anna G. Wood as clerk and Susan
T. Thompson as assistant clerk for the ensuing year
or until another appointment.

We have received through New Bedford Preparative Mgs.
the following requests for membership.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends.

It having been my earnest desire for some months
past, to become a member of the Society of Friends
and having as I trust given the matter due thought
and consideration, I have decided to make my wishes
known to the Meeting, asking them to accept me as a
member, my husband joining fully with me in my
request.

We would also request for our four minor children,
Arthur, Hastings, Kate and Frank.

Yours friends sincerely Mallie G. Howland
Reuben H. Howland.

which being considered we appoint Rachel S. Howland and
Hannah Sears to unite with a similar committee of New
Friends, to visit them on the account and report to a
future Meeting.

The time for which the Overseers of this Meeting were
appointed having expired, we appoint Sarah H. & Nathan
Betsey G. Wood, Rachel G. Howland, Sarah A. Holmes,
and Hannah Sears, to bring forward the names of
both men and women Friends suitable to fill
that station, and propose to our next Monthly Meeting.
The same committee are also appointed to select the
names of some Friends to perform the service of
Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we
conclude.

Anna G. Wood

Clerk.

1878. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 5mo-23 1878. The representatives from New Bedford Separation Meeting are, Susan Teabing and Sarah G. Lister, from Long Plain - Phoebe T. Johnson & Herbert Cannon. The committee appointed to attend the marriage of Matthew Barney and Elizabeth C. Macy, report, that it was conducted in an orderly manner, and that the meeting was crowned with a precious solemnity.

The joint committee appointed to propose the names of Friends for Overseers in the Monthly Meeting for the ensuing year have presented the following viz. Matthew Howland, Gideon Wood, Seth H. Skinner, Edward G. Dillingham, Abraham Lifford, Arnold G. Tripp, Matthew Barney, Rebecca C. Gurnett, Ruth S. Wood, Mangle Baylies, Susan S. Tripp, Ann A. Macomber, Betsey Hilled, Adelaide C. Wilbur, and Sarah Lucain, which is acceptable to the Meeting, and they are accordingly appointed to that service.

The committee also propose the reappointment of the same Friends who served the Meeting as Overseers of the Town last year, viz. for New Bedford, Phoebe T. Huntman, and Phoebe T. Hocum, for Long Plain - Betsey Hilled, Adelaide C. Wilbur, Susan S. Tripp & Sarah B. Stader, for Nantucket - Sarah Lucain, which being satisfactory to Friends, they are appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood

Clerk.

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At New Bedford. Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
 June. 27-1878. The representatives from New Bedford
 Separative Meeting are Abby Kelley and Abigail T. Safford,
 from Long Plain, Elizabeth H. Woods and Louisa Brown,
 who are present except two, for whose absence sufficient
 reasons are assigned.

We have in attendance at this time beloved friends in
 the ministry as follows, viz. Elizabeth L. Comstock
 with a certificate from Kollie Monthly Meeting,
 Michigan, endorsed by Adrian Quarterly Meeting,
 Alice Black, with a certificate from Southland Monthly
 Meeting, Helena Arkansas, accompanied with a minute
 from the Missionary Board of Indiana Yearly Meeting,
 and John F. Hanson from Iowa, with a minute from
 Bear Creek Monthly Meeting, endorsed by Bear Creek
 Quarterly Meeting, all expressive of unity with them
 as ministers and with their present religious engagements.
 Their company and gospel labors have been truly accept-
 able to us.

Our dear friend, Phoebe T. Underhill companion to Elizabeth L.
 Comstock, with a minute from Baltimore Quarterly Meeting,
 has also been acceptably with us at this time. The clerk
 is directed to unite with the clerk of the Men's Meeting,
 in signing endorsements on the certificates of the above
 named friends in conformity with the foregoing minutes.
 The Queries with answers to the same usually considered at
 this time have been read, and a summary prepared there-
 from, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting
 by our representatives who are Anne Davis, Sarah Jane
 Taber, Susan S. Shipps, Adeline C. Willbur, Arch-
 S. Wood and Charlotte Crook.

We unite with Men Friends in furnishing our
 friend Charles W. Ryder with a certificate on account
 of marriage addressed to Sandwich Monthly Meeting.
 We also unite with the Men's Meeting in receiving
 Joshua L. Macomber into membership with us.
 The business of the Meeting being accomplished,
 we conclude.

Anna G. Woods

Clerk.

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A New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 7 mo. 25-1878. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Rhoda Ann Shippe and Sophia Nickerson, from Long Plain, - Lydia G. Weeks and Patience J. Davis, who are present except one.

The representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting were all in attendance except two, who from different causes felt unable to attend.

The joint committee appointed in the 4th month to visit Mattie G. Howland wife of Ruben R. Howland and their family, on account of her request for herself and her four minor children, Arthur, Hastings, Kate, and Frank, to be admitted into membership with us have presented the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Agreeably to our appointment, we visited Mattie G. Howland on account of her request to be received into membership with us, and also that her four minor children Arthur B. John Hastings, Kate and B. Franklyn Howland, might have the same privilege. After very serious and careful consideration, we feel it is right for us to encourage Friends to grant the request, and extend to her and her children, their Christian sympathy and care - which we submit to the Meeting.

William C. Taber

George Howland Jr.

Hannah Leais

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Rachel S. Howland.

which report has been accepted by this and the Men's Meeting, and they are accordingly received into membership with us, and Anna E. Wood is appointed to inform them of the decisions of this Meeting.

Our beloved friend Allen Gay attended this Meeting presenting a satisfactory minute from Providence Monthly Meeting. His company and gospel labors have been truly acceptable to us, and the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Men's Mtg. in signing a suitable endorsement on his minute. We have also at this time the acceptable company

1878. of our dear friends, Elizabeth L. Comstock and her companion Phoebe S. Underhill, Maria Clark, and John F. Hanson, who were present with us at our last Monthly Meeting, and whose certificates were read and minuted at that time.

We unite with New Friends in the appointment of a joint committee, to consider whether there are any of our members whose gifts in the ministry should be acknowledged by this Meeting. We accordingly appoint to this service our friends, Sarah F. Anthony, Lydia S. Howland, Ruth S. Wood, Susan S. Thompson, Sylvia P. Howland, Kelly E. Howland & Anna G. Wood. The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude
Anna G. Wood
Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 8 mo. 22-1878. The representatives from New-Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sarah A. Holmes and Kelly E. Howland, from Long Plain - Mary S. Wood and Sarah B. Stader, who are present except one.

Anna G. Wood informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Mattie G. Howland & family. We have received a few copies of Epistles addressed to New England Yearly Meeting, from our dear sisters of other similar bodies, and as we have ourselves often been refreshed in hearing them read in our Meetings, we appoint Sarah J. Taber, Alice R. Tucker, Susan S. Tripp, Betsy B. Luce, Cynthia Kirby, and Adelaide B. Wilbur, to visit and read to our aged and invalid friends such portions of them, as may seem best adapted to their need. The joint committee appointed last month, to consider whether there were any of our members, whose gifts in the ministry should be acknowledged by this Meeting, have presented the following report.
To the Monthly Meeting.

The joint committee appointed last month to consider whether there were any among us whose gifts

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in the Ministry should be acknowledged by this Meeting, have had a meeting and conferred together upon the subject. We are united in judgment, (two of our Members dissenting as to presenting it at this Meeting), that the name of William Thompson should be proposed to the Meeting, for the acknowledgment of his gift and approval of his Ministry.

The committee would ask for further time in the matter referred to them as other names are under consideration.

On behalf of the committee
New Bedford

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Henry J. Wood

Sarah H. Anthony,

which report has been accepted by consensus with Men Friends, and we are united in acknowledging the gift, and approving the Ministry of our friend William Thompson, and the same Committee are continued to give further attention to the subject.

The business of the Meeting being finished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood. Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 9 mo - 26 - 1878. The representatives from New-Bedford Preparative Meeting are Mary T. Bennett and Ruth Almy, from Long Plain- Charlotte Cowen and Adelaide B. Wilbur, who are all present.

The Queries with answers to the three usually considered at this time have been read, and a Summary prepared therefrom, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives who are Mary C. Baylis, Fanny E. Howland, Elizabeth H. Wood, Sarah B. Stade, Adelaide B. Wilbur, and Rachel S. Howland.

The joint Committee who reported last month and were continued for further service, have presented a second report, viz.

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To the Monthly Meeting.

The joint committee appointed in 7th mo. last, to present to the Meeting the names of such Friends as in their judgment should be acknowledged as ministers, would again report, that they are united in proposing, that the public ministry of Edward G. Dillingham be approved by the Monthly Meeting.

May does not open at present, for further action, on the part of the committee which they submit to the Meeting.

By direction of the committee Henry T. Wood
Sarah H. Anthony.

New Bedford 9mo-18-1878.

This report has been accepted by this and the Men's Org. and we are united in acknowledging the gift and approving the public ministry of our friend Edward G. Dillingham.

The committee is now released from further service.

Our dear friend Susan C. Kempton informed this Meeting, that our friend Mary Hoag, having been liberated by Sandwich Monthly Meeting for religious service within the limits of Rhode Island Quarterly Mgt. she felt a willingness to accompany her. We unite in liberating her for this service, having the concurrence of Men Friends, she being a member in good esteem with us. The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood

Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 10th mo 24. 1878. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative meeting are Ann Eliza Wilcox, and Abby Holley, from Long Plain, Esther Hammett and Mary Ann Waig, who are present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting, were all in attendance except one, whose absence was occasioned, by sickness. The business of the meeting being finished, we conclude.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
11th mo 28. 1878. The representatives from New Bedford Prep-
arative meeting are Rhoda T. Telford and Susan Seabury, from
Long Plain, Sarah B. Glade and Susan S. Tripp, who are present
except one

The Queries with answers to the first, second and tenth have
been read and a summary prepared therefrom, which we forward
to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, by our representatives who are
Elycia G. Howland, Rebecca Howland, Ruth Almy, Abby Wood,
and Sarah J. Taber.

A transcript of an Epistle from our dear sisters of Dublin
Yearly Meeting, has been acceptably read at this time.

We unite with the Men's meeting in granting the Friends of
Pembroke the privilege of holding their midweek meeting at
one or other of their houses, during the inclement season, or until
it seems best to change the arrangement.

We also concur with Men's Friends in giving New Bedford
Preparative meeting liberty to make such alterations in the gallery
to this house as may fit it for the purpose of holding the First
day School.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.
Anna C. Wood Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held
12th mo 26. 1878. The representatives from New Bedford
Preparative meeting are Phebe B. Slocum and Ruth S.
Wood, from Long Plain Preparative meeting Abby Wood
and Phebe S. Delano, who are all present.

The following communication was received through Long Plain
Preparative meeting, viz,

To Long Plain Preparative meeting,

Dear friends,

I believe it right for me to request to become a
member of your Meeting. For several years I have felt drawn
towards the Religious Society of Friends, and the more I
acquaint myself with its doctrines and principles the more I
am impressed it would be in accordance with my Heavenly
Father's will that I should unite myself with this

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branch of his church.

I now leave it with you desiring best wisdom may guide and direct you in the matter.

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Respectfully, Elsie A. Hafford.

We accordingly appoint our friends Sarah A. Holmes, Sylvia G. Howland, and Ruth S. Wood to visit her on the account and report to a future meeting.

In accordance with the conclusion of our last Yearly Meeting that the appointment of Treasurer, Correspondent, and Auditors should be by the concurrent action of both the men's and women's meetings, we now appoint Mary C. Baylies, Susan Seabury, and Susan T. Thompson a committee to unite with a committee of the Men's meeting, to examine the account of the Treasurer of this meeting, as well as the several trust funds held by this Monthly meeting and also to propose the name of a Friend as Treasurer of the Monthly meeting for the ensuing year. The business of the meeting being finished, we conclude,

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly meeting of Women Friends held 1st mo 23. 1879. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative meeting are Alice W. Slocum and Ruth Almy. From Long Plain Ann A. Macomber and Sylvia D. Weeks, who are all present. Mary Hafford and Susan S. Tripp who are present except one, who was prevented from attending by illness in her family.

The Committee appointed last month to visit Elsie A. Hafford, presented the following.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Dear Friends,

We have had a satisfactory interview with Elsie Ada Hafford. She appears to be convinced of the Christian principles held by Friends, and we believe she is sincere in her request to become a member of our Religious Society.

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Signed) Sarah A. Holmes

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Ruth S. Wood.

The above Report has been accepted by this meeting and having the concurrence of Men Friend we receive her into membership and Susan T. Thompson is appointed to inform her of the decision of this meeting.

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A General certificate from Birmingham Monthly Meeting has been read and accepted in concurrence with Men Friends, and Rhoda T. Gifford is requested to call upon her on the account.

The joint report of the auditors appointed last month has been read and accepted by this Meeting. In accordance with the recommendation of that report we unite in the reappointment of David S. Wood as Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting for the ensuing year.

The committee under appointment in connection with Men Friends to disburse the income of the charitable fund of our friend Abram Shearman Jr. is reappointed to that service for the ensuing year, viz. Rachel S. Towland, Lydia T. Towland, Sarah H. Anthony, Ann H. Dunbar, Anna G. Wood Susan T. Thompson and Ruth Almy.

The business of the Meeting being finished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 2mo. 27-1899. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Alice W. Steward, and Ruth Almy; from Long Plain - Ann A. Macomber and Sylvia D. Stokes, who are also present.

Rhoda T. Gifford informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Sarah E. Castland.

Susan T. Thompson also reports that she has informed Eloise Ada Hafford of her reception as a member of our Society.

Our beloved friend Ruth S. Murray, a minister of the Gospel, attended this Meeting, presenting a Certificate of unity from New York Monthly Mng. Her company and religious services have been truly acceptable to us, and the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Men's Meeting in signing a suitable indorsement on the minutes.

1879. A request for membership presented through the Officers of Long Plain Preparative Meeting, has been received and read, and is as follows,

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Dear friends,

We have for a considerable time felt it our duty to become members of your Religious Society, if found worthy.

Long Plain 2mo-18-1879.

John Ezzatt.

Lophronia Ezzatt.

We have appointed Ann A. Macomber and Sarah A. Holmes to visit with a similar committee of Men Friends, to visit upon the account and report to a future Mgt. The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 3mo-27-1879. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sarah R. Young and Lydia G. Howland, from Long Plain - Azubah Cannon and Rebecca S. Howland, who are present except one.

The Queries with answers thereto have been read and a summary prepared from the answers which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Mgt. by our friends Ruth Almy, Henry C. Howland, Susan S. Tripp, Mary C. Baylis and Azubah Cannon whom we appoint our representatives.

We unite with Men Friends in accepting a removal certificate from Springfield Monthly Meeting North Carolina, on behalf of our friends William R. Taber a minister, and his wife Mary S. Taber an elder of that Meeting.

We appoint Susan S. Tripp to call on the latter and extend to her a Christian welcome.

A report from the joint Committee upon the subject of Temperance has been read and accepted and is as follows.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The joint committee upon the subject of Temperance report, that during the year they have as individuals found opportunities from time to time to promote the object of their appointment, which they have endeavored to improve.

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A few weeks since, the Committee believed that good might result from an interview could be obtained with different members of the City government of New Bedford with reference to this subject.

As the concern was local and confined to the city it was deemed best to lay it before Friends of the New Bedford Meeting, who informally named a delegation of six, to attend to the service. Each member of the Board of Aldermen was visited in turn except one, who declined an interview giving conscientiously his reason therefor. An interview was then sought with the Mayor which was readily granted:— upon these occasions the delegation was treated with great courtesy and kindness, and full opportunity was allowed for an explanation of the object of their visit. The Aldermen were assured of the sympathy and hearty co-operation of Friends in every conscientious endeavor to discharge their duties, and also of an earnest desire that no licences should be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors, except for medicinal and mechanical purposes.

To the Mayor the delegation appealed in behalf of a class in the community, many of whom were desirous, of leading virtuous lives, while their appetites & propensities sometimes overcame their better feelings and good resolutions. This class possessed strong claims upon the government, and it was believed that an upright and conscientious rule could do much to strengthen and uphold them in a life of sobriety & virtue.

In this connection also, the duty, which the delegation believed was imperative, was pressed upon the Mayor, that the law against the illegal traffic in intoxicating liquors, should be faithfully executed.

The hope good may result from this service. We urge on all our members, individual faithfulness to duty in this great work.

For the committee.

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Henry T. Wood

Rachel S. Howland.

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The further consideration of this subject is referred to our next Monthly Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood, Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women's Friends held 4mo - 24 - 1879. The representatives appointed from New Bedford Preparative Mts. are Sarah E. Ballard and Sarah J. Taber, from Long Plain - Prudence L. Leland, and Arubah Cannon, who are present except one, who was prevented from attending by indisposition.

The time for which the Clerks of this Meeting were appointed having expired, we are united in the reappointment of Anna G. Wood as Clerk, and Susan L. Thompson as assistant-clerk for the ensuing year, or until another appointment.

The representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting were all in attendance at that time.

Susan L. Tripp reports that she has attended to her appointment in regard to Mary D. Taber.

The joint committee appointed in the 2nd month to visit John Giggatt and his wife Sophronia, on account of their request to be united in membership with us, have presented the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Agreeably to our appointment we visited John Giggatt and Sophronia his wife. The interview with them enables us to say, we believe their request to be united in membership with us is sincere, and founded upon a turning towards the principles of our Religious Society.

The wife expressed that she had for many months felt her Heavenly Father leading her into this branch of His church - and unto the husband, she deemed a new and better life dawning.

We therefore agree in judgment that it would be safe to grant their request which we submit to the Monthly Meeting: Josiah Holmes Jr., Henry L. Wood, 4mo - 18. 1879. Sarah A. Holmes. Ann A. Macomber.

1879. which report has been accepted by this and the Men's Meeting, and they are accordingly received as members of our religious Society, - and Mary Ann Wing is appointed to inform Sophronia Eiggast of our decision.

The report of the joint committee upon the subject of Temperance has again been read, and we unite with the Friends in appointing a small committee to bring forward the names of Friends to compose a Temperance committee for the ensuing year. They are as follows, Adelaide C. Wilbur, Hannah Sears, Sylvia G. Howland and Susan S. Tripp.

We unite with the Men's Meeting, in adopting the following Minute, a copy of which is to be furnished to the Friends named therein.

Our beloved friends William Thompson and his wife Susan Taber Thompson, who are preparing to make a social visit to their friends in the British Isles, request our certificate. This is to certify that they are members of our Society, he being a minister, and his wife in the station of elder, both in unity and good esteem with us.

The time for which the Assessors of this Meeting were appointed having expired, we appoint Sarah H. Anthony, Rebecca S. Howland, Sylvia D. Weeks, Susan Seabury, Hannah Sears, Rachel S. Howland, and Mary G. Taber, to unite with a similar committee of Men Friends, to bring forward the names of both men and women Friends, suitable to fill that station and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood

Clerk.

1879. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
Dec-22-1877. The representatives from New Bedford
Separation Meeting are Rhoda Ann Tripp & Mary Howland,
from Long Plain Betsy G. Wood and Anna A. Macomber,
who are all present.

The assistant clerk being absent, the dear C. Baylies
is appointed to that service until the return of Susan
T. Thompson.

Mary Ann Wing informs that she has attended
to her appointment in the case of Sophronia Ezzatto.

The committee appointed to propose the names
of Friends to serve this Meeting as Overseers of the Poor,
have presented the following viz. Phoebe R. Stocum,
Phoebe T. Howland, Mary C. Baylies, Susan T. Tripp
Adelaide G. Wilbur and Asulah Cannon, which with
the addition of the name of Rhoda Ann Tripp, have
been accepted by this Meeting, and they are accordingly
appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

Our dear friend Susan G. Kempton has returned
at this time, the Minute granted her in Oct. mo. last,
to accompany Mary Hoag a minister of Sandwich Monthly
Meeting, in her religious visit within the limits of Rhode
Island Quarterly Meeting. She has also presented returning
Minutes furnished her by Rhode Island Quarterly Mtg.
and South Kingstown and Greenwich Monthly Meetings,
which have been read and are acceptable to us.

A transcript of an Epistle from the Little Monthly
Meeting of Friends held at Baunana on Mr. Sebanus,
also one from our dear sisters of Ohio Yearly Meeting,
have been acceptably read at this time.

We are informed by our Friends that the
report of the committee to whom was intrusted the
nomination of Friends for Overseers, has been referred
back to them for further consideration, and they are
requested to report again next month.

The business of the Meeting being finished we
conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 6 mo - 26 - 1879. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sylvia G. Howland and Ruth Smith, from Long Plain, - Charlotte Crow and Rebecca A. Gifford, who are present except one.

Our beloved friend William A. Symmes attended this Meeting, presenting a satisfactory Minute from Piney Woods Monthly Meeting endorsed by Eastern Quarterly Mgt. of Friends North Carolina. His company and gospel labors have been truly acceptable to us. Our dear friend Margaret W. Symmes, companion to her husband William A. Symmes, is also with us at this time. Her certificate together with her company have been acceptable to us, and the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Men's Meeting, in signing suitable endorsements on their Minutes.

The Queries with answers to the First, Second & Tenth from our Preparative Meetings have been read, and a Summary prepared from the answers, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends Susan C. Kempton, Rhoda Ann Kipp, Sarah B. Shades, Adelaide V. Wilbur, Susan L. Kipp and Peter S. Solano, whom we appoint our representatives.

An Epistle from our dear sisters of North Carolina Yearly Meeting has been read at this time.

The unite with New Friends, in granting further time to the committee under appointment to propose the names of Friends as Counselors, and they are requested to report next month.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood

Clerk.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held Jan. 24-1879. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Hannah Leach & Phoebe T. Howland. from Long Plain, — Louise B. Gush & Mary Hafford, who are present except one who was not able to attend.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they were all in attendance.

We have with us at this time, beloved friends from other Yearly Meetings who have presented certificates from their Monthly and Quarterly Meetings expressing of unity with their associations and with their present religious engagements, viz. Rufus P. King from New Garden Monthly Meeting North Carolina, and William J. Thompson from Walnut Ridge Monthly Meeting Indiana. The gospel company and gospel labors of our Friends have been acceptable to us, and the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Men's Meeting in signing suitable inducements on their Minutes.

Our beloved friend William A. Lyman is also acceptably in attendance of this Meeting. His certificate was read and minuted last month.

We unite with Men Friends in granting a removal certificate to Charles W. Rydes, addressed to Sandwich Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed to propose the names of Friends to serve this Meeting as Overseers have presented the following viz. Matthew Howland, Eideon Wood, James B. Congdon, Abraham Gifford, Arnold G. Trapp, N. Henry Wilbur, Matthew Barney, Rebecca C. Ginnell, Ruth S. Wood, Mary C. Baylies, Susan S. Trapp, Ann A. Macomber, Adelaide C. Wilbur and Azubah Cannon; which being satisfactory to Friends, they are appointed to that service accordingly for the ensuing year. The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna C. Wood Clerk.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held Nov-28. 1879. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are, Susan C. Hampton, and Ruth Smith, from Long Plain. - Susan S. Tripp and Sarah B. Under, who are all present.

Our beloved friend Thomas Kimble and his wife Mary S. Kimble (the latter an elder) attended this meeting, presenting certificates of unity from New York Monthly Meeting, indorsed by Westbury Quarterly Meeting, Their company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us, and the Clerk is directed to write into the Clerk of the Men's Meeting in signing suitable indorsements on their Minutes.

Our dear friend William J. Thornbury is also acceptably in attendance of this Meeting. His certificate was read and a returning Minute granted him at our last Monthly Meeting.

The report of the Committee having charge of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School at Providence has been read, and is satisfactory to this meeting. The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.
 Anna G. Woods Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held Nov-25. 1879. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth Almy, and Abby S. Kelley, from Long Plain, - Ruth S. Delano, and Sarah Cannon, who are all present.

The Queries with answers to the First, Second and Tenth, from our Preparative Meetings have been read and a summary prepared from the answers, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends Ruth S. Woods, Mary Haffard, Rebecca S. Howland, Ruth Almy, and Ruth S. Delano whom we appoint our representatives.

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Our beloved friend Joseph Stanley from Ohio, attended this Meeting, presenting a minute from Damascus Monthly Mtg. indorsed by Damascus Quarterly Meeting, expressive of unity with him as a minister & with his present religious engagement. His company and gospel labors have been truly acceptable to us. Our dear friend Lysinda Stanley, an elder, companion to her husband, has also presented a satisfactory minute. Her company and religious services amongst us, has also been acceptable, and she Clerk is directed to write with the Clerk of the Men's Mtg. in signing indorsements on their Minutes.

LSusan T. Thompson, Sarah G. Labeo, Susan Leabury, and Susan E. Kempton, are appointed to visit the sick, aged and infirm among our Friends, who are not able to attend Meeting, and read to them, some of the excellent Epistles received by our late Yearly Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Anna E. Wood Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 10 mo. 23. 1879. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Susan E. Kempton & Deborah Howland, from Long Plain - Rebecca A. Gifford, and Ann A. Macomber, who are present except one.

The Friends appointed representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting, were all in attendance except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

Our beloved friend John Bartland from Windham Monthly Meeting Maine, attended this Meeting, presenting a satisfactory minute from that Meeting, expressive of unity with him and with his present religious engagement. His company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Our dear friend Timothy Hanson, an elder, also attended this Meeting, as companion to our friend John Bartland. He was furnished with a satisfactory testimonial from Salmon Falls Monthly Meeting Maine.

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This company has also been acceptable. The Clerk is left at liberty to unite with the clerk of the Men's Meeting, in furnishing them with returning Minutes.

An epistle from our dear sisters of London Yearly Meeting has been read at this time.

A communication from the committee appointed by our late Yearly Meeting upon the subject of Bible Schools, and also an address from the same source, recommending and encouraging the earnest and united effort of all our members for the promotion of the diligent and prayerful study of the Holy Scriptures in our First-day Schools, has also been acceptably read at this time.

The business of the Meeting being finished, we conclude.

Anna G. Wood - Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held Nov. 27. 1879. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth Smith & Alice W. Focum, from Long Plain - Mary D. Lake and Azubah Cannon, who are all present.

The Queries with answers to the First, Second & Tenth, from our Preparative Meetings have been read, and a summary prepared from the answers, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends Eliza Anthony, Hannah Sears, Sarah A. Holmes, Mary C. Baylies, Betsey G. Wood & Azubah Cannon, whom we appoint our representatives.

A removal certificate on behalf of Catharine Panton, from Edinburgh Two Months Meeting, Scotland, has been read and accepted in concurrence with New-Friends. Susan T. Thompson is appointed to call upon her, and extend to her a welcome.

We unite with the Men's Meeting in granting a removal certificate to Alphonse L. Baillet addressed to Salem Monthly Meeting.

We are informed through New Bedford Preparative Meeting that Charles Garside and his wife Elizabeth, have presented a request for membership which is as follows viz.

We accordingly appoint our friends Hannah Sears, Susan T. Thompson and Anna G. Wood to ride with a similar committee of New Friends, to visit them on this account and report to a future meeting.

The business of the Meeting being finished, we conclude.
Anna G. Wood Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 12 mo 25-1879. The representatives from New-Bedford Preparative Meeting are Almy Howland & Ruth S. Wood, from Long Plain - Sarah B. Glade and Phoebe S. Delano, who are present except one.

The representatives to our late Quarterly Meeting were all in attendance except two, for the absence of one, a sufficient reason was assigned.

Susan T. Thompson reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Catharine Santos.

The committee appointed to visit Charles and Elvira Gaisido on account of their request to be admitted into membership with us, have presented the following report, viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The committee appointed to visit Charles Gaisido & his wife Elvira, on account of their request for membership in our Society, have had a satisfactory interview with them, and we believe them sincere and influenced by motives of conscientious regard to Christian duty, in the step they have taken. So far as they are acquainted with our distinguishing views,

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and principles they appear to have embraced them, and we think it safe to grant their request.

William Thompson. David S. Wood.

Susan T. Thompson. Hannah H. Leach.

Henry T. Wood.

New Bedford 12mo-25-79 Anna G. Wood.

This report has been accepted in concurrence with Men Friends, and they are accordingly received as members of our Religious Society.

Ruth S. Wood is appointed to inform Elizabeth Garside of the decision of this Meeting.

A removal certificate from New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of our dear friend Ruth S. Murray a member and minister of that Meeting, and of her three minor children viz. Elizabeth C. Francis H. and Augustus T. has been accepted by this Meeting Men Friends uniting therein; and we appoint our friend Sarah A. Holmes to inform Ruth S. Murray of the acceptance of her certificate, and give her a cordial welcome amongst us.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women's Friends held 1mo-22-1880. The representatives from New-Bedford Preparative Meeting are Susan Seabury and Rhoda Ann Shipps, from Long Plain - Adelaide T. Wilbur and Sylvia S. Weeks, who are all present.

Sarah A. Holmes informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Ruth S. Murray.

We are informed through Long Plain Preparative Meeting, that Jane E. Howland daughter of Alexander Howland has requested to be released from membership - Her request is as follows.

Long Plain Dec-27-1879.

To the New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends.
I ask my dismissal from your Meeting, as I no longer wish to remain a member.

Jane E. Howland.

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This request has been read and considered. The Overseers inform that they have had two interviews with her, and that she seemed decided to relinquish her right of membership, and had connected herself with another Religious Society. With the concurrence of Men Friends we have granted her request, and released her from membership with us. We appoint our friends, Azubah Cannon and Mary D. Taber to inform her of the decision of this Meeting, and express our regret at parting with her, and our interest in her future welfare.

We unite with the Men's Meeting in the appointment of our friends James B. Congdon, Joseph R. Young, John F. Tucker, and Edward G. Dillingham, to examine and settle the Treasurers account, to propose the sum to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, and the name of a Friend for Treasurer, and also to audit the several Trust funds, in the case of this Meeting. The report of the auditors has been read and accepted by this Meeting. In accordance with the recommendation of that report we unite in the re-appointment of David S. Wood as Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting for the ensuing year.

The committee under appointment in connection with Men Friends to dispense the income of the charitable fund of our friend Abraham Shearman Jr. is reappointed to that service the ensuing year viz. Rachel S. Howland, Lydia S. Howland, Sarah H. Anthony, Ann H. Dunbar, Anna G. Wood, Susan S. Thompson and Ruth Almy.

Ruth S. Wood informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Elizabeth Garside.

The business of the Meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood

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New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 2 mo. 26-1880. The representatives from New Bedford
Preparative Meeting are Anne R. Ashburn and Phoebe S.
Howland, from Long Point, Mary G. Taber and Mary
Ann Wins, who are present except two, for whose
absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

Asubah Cannon, on behalf of the committee
appointed last month informs that they have attended
to their appointment in the case of Jane E. Howland.

A removal certificate from Providence Monthly
Meeting on behalf of Rebecca H. Simile, has been
read and accepted in concurrence with Men Friends,
and we appoint Anna G. Wood to extend to her
a loving welcome amongst us.

The following request has been received through
the Men's Meeting, for Charles W. Crapo, and his
wife Eunice E. Crapo.

To the Society of Friends.

We have attended your meetings for the past two
years, and have found them to be a special benefit
to our souls. Realizing the need and the import-
ance of Christian fellowship and sympathy,
we respectfully request to be admitted as members
of your Society, if in your judgment we are
accounted worthy.

Charles W. Crapo.

Eunice E. Crapo.

New Bedford 2 mo. 26-1880.

Having read and considered this request,
we appoint our friends Rachel S. Howland
and Mary C. Baylies to unite with a similar
committee of Men Friends, to visit them on
the account and report to a future Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being finished,
we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 3d. mo. 25. 1880. The representatives from New-Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth Amy and Ann H. Dunbar, from Long Plain, Rebecca A. Gifford & Phoebe S. Delano, who are present except two.

Anna B. Woods informed that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Rebecca H. Smiley.

The Queries with answers thereto from our several Preparative Meetings have been read and a summary prepared therefrom, which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, by our friends Mary C. Baylies, Mary Ann Young, Phoebe B. Gloeum, Mary Hafford, and Susan M. Seabury, whom we appoint our representatives.

A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Abby A. Sutton, has been read and accepted by this Meeting, and Phoebe B. Gloeum is appointed to visit her on the account.

A removal certificate has also been received from the same Monthly Meeting on behalf of Hannah D. Paris, which was united with, and Susan G. Kempton was requested to call upon her, and inform her of its reception. The Men's Meeting united in the acceptance of the above certificates.

Benjamin C. Glade and Maria A. Pierce, (the latter not a member of our Religious Society,) having by a written declaration informed this Meeting of their intention of marriage with each other, we appoint Adelaide W. Wilbur to make the usual inquiries in regard to the cleanness of Maria A. Pierce to proceed in marriage, and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The time for which the Clerks of this Meeting were appointed having nearly expired, we appoint our friends Sarah H. Anthony, Ruth L. Smith, Susan G. Kempton, Susan L. Tripp & Adelaide W. Wilbur, to take the subject into consideration, and propose the names of two Friends, to serve the Meeting as Clerk and assistant the ensuing year.

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The unite with New Friends in a proposition to have a copy of the advice in the Discipline preceding the Queries, the Queries themselves, and the answers prepared in this Meeting, with the four unanswered Queries, printed on slips and furnished to our members, particularly to those who from any cause are not in attendance at this Meeting.

The committee appointed by New Friends to examine the records and for other purposes, have prepared a report which has been read, and is as follows.

To the New Bedford Monthly Meetings.
The committee appointed to examine the records and for other purposes have attended to that duty, and present the following report. The changes in membership for the year ending Dec-29-1880. are as follows.

Admissions by request-	4.
" Births	2.
" Certificate	<u>8.</u>
	<u>14.</u>

Losses by death.

viz. Albert Wood, Nancy B. Dillingham,	
Deborah Taber, Cyrenius Kelley,	
Lottie W. Howland, Anna E. Wright,	
Deborah Tallman, Pleg Plouren, and	
Joannah Anthony,	9.
Removed -	2.
Resigned	<u>1.</u>
	<u>12.</u>

Whole number of members	388.
Net gain -	2

Jonathan Corven
John B. Baylies Committee
Robert B. Taber

The business of the Meeting being finished,
we conclude.

Anna G. Wood, Clerk.

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At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held June 22-1880. The representation from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Hannah Sears & Sarah R. Wing, from Long Plain, Adelaide G. Wilbur and Esther Hammett, who are all present.

The committee to whom the subject of Clerks was referred, have proposed the names of Susan T. Thompson for clerk, and Susan M. Seabury for assistant clerk which being approved by the Meeting, they are appointed to their services respectively for the ensuing year or until another appointment. On account of the temporary absence of the former, Anna G. Wood is appointed to act as clerk for the day.

Susan G. Kempton informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Hannah J. Davis.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Adelaide G. Wilbur informs that she finds nothing to prevent Maria A. Pierce proceeding in marriage with Benjamin W. Stode. The written consent of the surviving parent has been produced and read. The parties are therefore allowed to solemnize their marriage at such time as may hereafter be appointed.

Phoebe B. Stocum informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Abby A. Sedlow.

A removal certificate from Westport Monthly Meeting on behalf of William P. Macomber, his wife Esther, and their four minor children viz. Elmer E. George R. William S. and Mary E. Macomber, has been read and accepted in concurrence with Men Friends, and Adelaide G. Wilbur is requested to call upon Esther Macomber on the account.

The joint committee appointed in 2 mo. last to visit Charles W. Crapo & his wife Eunice E. on account of their request for membership, have presented the following report viz.

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To the Monthly Meeting:

The joint committee appointed in Second month last to visit Charles William Croft and his wife Eunice E. Croft, on account of their request to become members in our Society, report — that our interviews with these persons have been in good degree satisfactory and encouraging. They are but little instructed in some of the distinguishing views of Friends, yet we cannot doubt the sincerity of their request, or their endeavours to lead christian lives.

We unite in recommending that they be received into membership, and also in commending them to the care and sympathy of Friends.

Fanny J. Wood, Matthew Howland
Rachel G. Howland, Mary E. Baylies.

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This report has been accepted by this and the Men's Meeting, and they are received as members of our religious Society.

Phoebe B. Hocum is requested to inform Eunice E. Croft of the judgments of the Meeting.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude.

Anna G. Wood Clerk for the day.

At New Bedford monthly meeting of Women Friends held Nov. 27th 1880.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Abby Howland and Sophia Ricketson, from Long Plain Sylvia J. Weeks and Esther K. Cillingham who are all present.

Phebe B. Moomin informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Eunice E. Caho.

Adelaide T. Milbou also reports that she has informed Esther D. Macomber of the reception of her certificate.

A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly meeting in behalf of Eliza M. Cromwell has been read and accepted in concurrence with Men Friends and Mary A. Smith is requested to call on her on the account.

The time for which the Overseers of this meeting and Overseers of the Poor were appointed having expired we appoint Rachel S. Howland, Sarah A. Holmes, Rebecca S. Howland, Phebe S. Delano, Anna G. Wood and Rhoda T. Gifford to unite with a similar committee of Men Friends to bring forward the names of men and women friends suitable to fill those stations and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Susan T. Thompson, clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held Sixth Month 24th 1880.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth Abrahams and Alice W. Moomin, from Long Plain, Susan S. Fripp and Phebe S. Delano, who are all present.

Mary A. Smith reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Eliza M. Cromwell.

Our beloved friend Sarah A. Gallatin is

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attended this meeting, presenting satisfactory minutes from Holm Monthly Meeting, endorsed by Cumberland and Northumberland Quarterly Meeting and the London Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Church-people.

We have at this time the acceptable company of Mary White, a minister, accompanying Sarah St. Lattre, stewardess and with a satisfactory certificate from Edinburgh Two Months Meeting endorsed by the General Meeting for Scotland. We welcome these dear sisters from across the ocean, thankfully acknowledging their presence as a fresh proof of the living-kindness and care of the Lord.

There are also with us dear friends from the Yearly Meetings on this continent with minutes expressive of sympathy with them and with their present religious engagement, viz. John Carey from Back Creek Monthly Meeting, Indiana, Josiah Stanley from Damascus Monthly Meeting, Ohio, and Luke Woodward from New Garden Monthly Meeting, Indiana.

Our dear friend Elvira Woodward, an elder, also attended this meeting as companion to her husband Luke Woodward presenting a satisfactory minute from a committee of New Garden Monthly Meeting, Indiana.

The company and gospel services of these dear friends have been truly acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to write with the clerk of the Home Meeting in signing endorsements on their Minutes to this effect.

The queries usually considered at this time, with answers thereto from our several Preparative meetings, have been read and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends, Mary Haffard, Harriet Bayliss, Isaac Ann Hing, Sarah H. Taber, Sarah A. Holmes, Agatha Cannon and Elvira B. Lowland whom we appoint our Representatives.

We are informed by the clerk of the Preparative Meeting of Ministers and elders that they are united in proposing to the Monthly Meeting to acknowledge the gift and approve their public appearances in the ministry of Rebecca E. Smiley. We unite with our friends in accepting this proposition and the clerk is directed to inform the Quarterly Meeting thereof for its consideration.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.
Susan T. Thompson, clerk.

1880 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends Friends held.
Seventh mo. 22nd 1880.

The Representatives from New Bedford. Prelative meetings
are Rhoda Ann. Hipp and Ann H. Dumbas, from Long
Plain Azubah Cannon and. Eloise Ada Haffard, who
are all present.

The representatives to the quarterly meeting report
that they attended except two, for whose absence
satisfactory reasons were given.

We are informed through New Bedford Prelative
Meeting that Thomas G. Smith and his wife Phoebe A.
Smith have presented a request to be admitted into
membership with our Religious Society which is as
follows, viz.

To the New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends:

We have for some time past attended
your meetings for religious worship, to our satisfaction,
and have become convinced of the truth of Friends'
principles.

Seeing the need of Christian sympathy, and of
the association with those who are united together in
the service of our Lord, we apply to be received into
membership in your religious Society, if deemed best
by you.

Very truly your friends

Thomas G. Smith.

Phoebe A. Smith.

New Bedford Conn. 24th 1880.

We accordingly appoint our friends Rachel E.
Howland and Lydia H. Wood to unite with a similar
committee of Men Friends to visit them on the account
of their being absent from the meeting.

We have at this time the acceptable company
of our friend Mr. A. Sumner with a satisfactory cor-
respondent from New York Monthly meeting. His company
is very acceptable to us and the same is desired to unite with the clerk of
the meeting in furnishing them with a minute
book.

Our friends Luke and Elvira Woodard
and Joseph Stanley are also very acceptably with us.

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Their certificates were read and considered. It is with
 pleasure we have some testimonies at the time that
 their company and Gospel services during the series of
 meetings that has just closed have, with the Divine
 blessing, been edifying and helpful to many souls.

The committee appointed to propose the names of
 friends to serve this meeting as overseers have presented
 the following, viz. Matthew Howland, John B. Baylis,
 John T. Tucker, A. Leroy Hilbur, Arnold C. Tripp,
 Abraham Gifford, Matthew Barney, Rebecca C. Ginnick,
 Mary C. Baylis, Susan L. Tripp, Adelaide T. Hilbur,
 Ann A. Macomber and Agnes Cannon, which being
 satisfactory to friends they are appointed to that
 office for the year ensuing. And we appoint for
 overseers of the poor, the same who served last year,
 viz. Phoebe A. Hume, Phoebe T. Howland, Sarah C. Baylis,
 Susan L. Tripp, Adelaide T. Hilbur, Agnes Cannon and
 Rhoda Ann Tripp.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Yearly
 Meeting we appoint David L. Smith, Rebecca C. Ginnick
 and Ann A. Macomber as a committee to assist the Yearly
 Meeting's committee in their decisions in cases of ex-
 communication on Mount Lebanon.

The business of the meeting being finished we
 conclude

Lusan T. Thompson, clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Harmon Friends
 held 8mo. 26th 1880.

The representatives from New Bedford Separation
 Meeting are Betty E. Howland and William W. Howland,
 from Long Plain, Rebecca A. Gifford and John T.
 Macomber who are present ex-officio.

The assistant clerk being absent Susan L. Tripp was
 appointed to take that place for the day.

The joint committee appointed last month to visit
 Thomas G. Smith and his wife Phoebe A. Smith on account
 of their request to be admitted into membership, have presented

the following report, viz.

To the Society's Committee.

The committee appointed upon the application of Thomas B. and Phoebe A. Smiths to become members of our Society report, that we have had a very pleasant and satisfactory interview with them; we were convinced of the sincerity of their application and their strong desire to connect themselves with our religious body, their early education and all their antecedents pointing in that direction.

We are of the opinion, should the meeting conclude to receive them and they should come amongst us that we might mutually do each other good.

Geo. Howland Jr.

R. A. Howland.

David S. Wood

New Bedford

Nov. 20th 1880.

Lydia H. Wood committee

which has been accepted by this and the mens' meeting and they are received as members of our Religious Society. Lydia B. Howland is requested to inform Phoebe A. Smith of the judgment of this meeting.

A removal certificate from New York Monthly meeting on behalf of Sisters Underhill has been read and accepted in concurrence with Mrs. Howland and Rhoda S. Gifford and Rebecca C. Grinnell are requested to inform her of its reception.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Susan L. Thompson, clerk.

New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
Nov. 23rd 1880.

The clerk being absent, Anna C. Wood is appointed to
act service for the day.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting
are Rev. Mr. Andrus and Rev. Mr. [unclear] and
Miss Cowen and Miss Ann Wins who are present ex-officio.

Rhoda S. Gifford, on behalf of the committee, informs that
they have attended to their appointment in the case of
[unclear] [unclear].

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He unite with them friends in desiring that the
scale from the Monthly Meeting of the Friends in
the United States be made of the same kind.

The friends usually assembled at this time, with numbers
drawn from our several Preparative Meetings have been
in the morning of the day which we have to
the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends, Rev. J. H.
Rempton, Adelaide T. Wilbur, Abby S. Kelley, Susan S. Trapp
and Susan S. Trapp, whom we appoint our representatives.

Our beloved friend Ruth S. Murray, a minister in
with us, by a written communication informed this meeting
of a desire she had long felt to attend Indiana Yearly Meeting
and to perform some religious service within its limits as the
Lord may direct. The subject having claimed our serious
consideration, much words and sympathy were shown
therein, and having the concurrence of New Friends, the Yearly
is directed to furnish her with a certificate for the attendance
of Indiana Yearly Meeting, and also to prepare a letter, which
will enable her to perform further service within its limits
and forward the latter to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting for
its concurrence.

The business of the meeting being finished we adjourned.

At New Bedford Nov. 10th 1880. Friends held 10th Nov.
1880.

The representatives from New Bedford Yearly Meeting
are Sarah R. Wing and Rhoda Ann Trapp, from New Bedford,
Lydia D. Week and Adelaide T. Wilbur, who are present
except one.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting of the
they are attended as appointed.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth L. Condit attended this
meeting presenting certificates from the Christiana band
and from the Friends in the United States and the Yearly Meeting.
Her company and social services were very acceptable to us
and she is intended to unite with the Friends in

the friends in furnishing her with a minute to this effect.
 A statement read from the New England Society in
 aid of Matilda L. Chase has been read and accepted in
 concurrence with her friends and Rebecca H. Loomis and
 Wm. E. Howland are appointed to call upon her and
 inform her of its results.

An address from the dear friends of New York Yearly
 meeting has been acceptably read at this time.

Charles F. Town, Edward Leabury, Susan G. Kempton, Susan
 F. Thompson and Priscilla Toward are appointed to visit the
 sick, aged and infirm among our friends who are not able
 to attend meetings and read to them, as well as our own, some
 of the excellent epistles received by our late Yearly Meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.
 Susan F. Thompson, clerk.

A new method of conducting meetings of women friends is adopted.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting
 are Susan G. Kempton and Ruth L. Smith, from Long Plain
 are Mrs. King and Esther Dillingham, who are present ex-officio.

The certificate granted to our dear friend Ruth L. May
 in 1841 is now sent to attend Indiana Yearly meeting and
 perform some service within its limits will returned at this
 time, with a returning minute from Indiana Yearly Meeting
 which is acceptable to us.

The friends with answers should, and are several
 "associative" meetings to the first, second and tenth, have been
 held and a dinner and prepared themselves which we found
 to the ensuing Quarterly meeting to our friends from
 Howland (Miss E. Howland, Abigail F. Gibbs and Jane
 M. Brown) whom we appoint our representatives.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.
 Susan F. Thompson, clerk.

At the meeting of the Board of Directors, held on the 27th of 1880.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Phoebe T. Howland and Sophia Ricketson, from Long Plain are Hapgood and Ann A. Macomber, who are present except that, for whose absence satisfactory reasons were assigned.

The Assistant-clerk being absent Adelaide T. Wilson was appointed to that duty for the day.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting were all present and all attended.

Our friend L. Adelson had attended this meeting presenting a satisfactory certificate from Boston Church Society, enclosed by Adelson Quarterly Meeting, Michigan. His contributions and gospel services have been well accepted to us and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the corresponding church in this with a committee to this effect.

Letter C. L. Loring reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Matilda L. Chase.

An epistle from our sisters of Lonsam Yearly Meeting has been respectfully read at this time.

Then Friends inform that they have appointed a committee to audit the Treasurer's account to provide a sum to be raised for the use of the meeting the ensuing year and the same to be found for Treasurer; also to audit the accounts of the several Trust-funds under the care of this meeting, in which we choose and appoint as committee for these purposes, Edward S. Pilling, Jr., Charles Taber, B. Franklin Howland, and John C. Tucker.

A proposition was received from the men's meeting that they ourselves have discretionary powers to open our meeting houses when applied for, if in their judgment it seem proper, which is united with by this meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished we adjourned.

Lisa T. Loring, clerk.

Meeting of Women Friends held Nov. 27th.
The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are
Elizabeth Tibb and Phoebe T. Howland, from Long Plain Friends are
Susan T. Thompson and Phoebe T. Howland who are all present.

The order of the meeting is as usual. The meeting has
been held at this time.

The report of the auditor has been read and accepted
by the meeting and in accordance with the recommendation
of the committee, we make it a point of David S. Wood as
treasurer of the association for the ensuing year.

The report of the committee in connection with the
Sabbath School is read. The income of the Sabbath School is
\$100.00. The committee recommend the following for the ensuing year, Rachel S.
Howland, Lydia T. Howland, Anna C. Wood, Phoebe T. Howland,
Elizabeth S. Smith, Susan T. Thompson and Ruth Almy.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Susan T. Thompson, clerk.

At New Bedford. Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held Nov. 28th 1841.
The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are
Elizabeth Tibb and Rhoda Ann Tripp, from Long Plain,
Susan T. Thompson and Phoebe T. Howland who are all present.

The clerk being absent Anna C. Wood is appointed to
that service for the day.

The meeting with our friends in receiving Nathaniel K.
Randall as a member of our Religious Society.

We also concur with them in releasing our young friend
William K. Wood from membership among us at his own
request. While we regret his decision we desire that he may
be blessed in his new connection with the portion of the
church militant he has decided to join.

This meeting believes it right and fitting to
acknowledgment of its indebtedness to the church and the
meeting and with stand with our friends, the
work of the General President of the General Union, who is
about to retire from his exalted position, and we are
united in adopting the following minute, viz.

The Members of the Society of Friends in our
Sabbath School would express their appreciation of the services
and noble stand taken by the wife of our General

in regard to the cause of Temperance and we hope its influence will extend throughout our country. We desire that the Lord will be with her in her retirement, and that she will be a blessing to her and shaking her a blessing. And also that we may have with her the consciousness of the love and esteem of her friends and women.

which the clerk is directed to read on our behalf and forward to Liver Haynes.

The business of the meeting being finished we adjourn.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
Jan. 22nd 1881.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ruth L. Smith and Rhoda T. Clifford, from Long Plain Rebecca L. Howland and Ann A. Macomber who are present.

We are informed through New Bedford Preparative Meeting that Elizabeth Garside has presented a request that her daughter Hannah Taylor Garside may be admitted into membership with us, which is as follows -

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends
Dear Friends

Meeting desiring in the welfare of my only child Hannah Taylor Garside, I would request that Friends would take her under their care and receive her as a member of our Society.

Yours, 14th 1881.

Elizabeth Garside.

With the concurrence of these Friends we accordingly receive her as a member of our Society and appoint our Friends Anna G. Wood to visit her on the account and report to a future meeting.

Our beloved friend Ruth L. Smith, a minister in unity with us, informed this meeting that she has a prospect of spending some time in Europe and requested a certificate of membership. Much sympathy was expressed with her and the clerk was directed to write with this clerk of the church meeting in forwarding her certificate.

The queries have been read at this time with answers.

from our recent preparative meetings and we were well
prepared therefore which we pointed to the coming monthly
meeting by our friends Mary C. Jacobs, Abner B. Smith,
and M. L. Smith, Mary H. Smith, Susan B. Smith and Susan
C. Smith were the other two representatives.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.
Respectfully, yours,
Susan B. Smith, clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held Nov. 28.
1881.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative meeting
are Cynthia Kirby and Susan M. Seabury, from Long Plain
Selma D. Weeks and Sophronia Cogsett.

The time for which the clerks of this meeting were
appointed having expired we reappoint Susan M. Thompson
as clerk and Susan M. Seabury as assistant clerk for
the ensuing year & until another appointment.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report
that they attended according to appointment.

Selma G. Word reports that she was attended to
her appointment in regard to the little daughter of
Elizabeth Warden.

The following request for membership was received
through the overseers of Long Plain Preparative meeting,
for Mary G. Macomber and her two minor children
Joshua L. and Chloe E. Macomber. We appoint our
friends Selma G. Word and Susan M. Seabury to write
with a similar committee of New Friends to visit her
on the account and report to a future meeting.

The time for which the Overseers of this meeting
and Overseers of the poor were appointed having expired
we appoint Hannah Smith, Ruth May, Susan C. Smith
and M. A. Smith and Mary Ann Briggs to write with a similar
committee of New Friends to bring forward the names of
men and women Friends suitable to fill their stations
at our next monthly meeting.

In conclusion what is said in our sister's letter
concerning Baltimore Yearly meetings have been acceptably read
in this time.

This meeting writes with New Friends in disowning

Edward H. Howland from membership among us.

"Our Society, Monthly Meeting of Friends
near friends,

Having for some time felt a desire, myself
and two minor children, (Joshua L. and Chloe E. L.) to become
members of your religious society, I hereby make the request
if found worthy.

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Mary G. Macomber

I write with this request,

Joshua L. Macomber.

The business of the meeting being finished, we conclude,

Susan L. Thompson, clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
Nov. 26th 1881

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting
are Mary A. Smith and Ruth Almy, from Line Point
Susan A. Thipp and Mary Hafford, who are present with me.

The joint committee appointed last month to visit
Mary G. Macomber on account of the request for herself
and her two minor children, Joshua L. and Chloe E. L.
to be admitted into membership, have submitted the following
report, viz.

To the Monthly Meeting,

In accordance with our appointment, we have visited
Mary G. Macomber, wife of Joshua L. Macomber, on account
of her application for membership in our Society for herself
and their two minor children, Joshua L. and Chloe E.
Macomber.

We believe that she is sincere in her request and has
made it with thoughtfulness and from a religious conviction
that it would be best for herself and her family to be
joined with Friends in religious fellowship.

We would recommend that the request be granted.

Anna L. Todd.

Susan L. Thompson

Edward G. Litchman

Nov. 26th 1881.

which has been accepted, by this and the Nov. Meeting
and they are accepted as members of our religious Society.

Sarah A. Holmes is appointed to inform Mary G. Macomber of the judgment of this meeting.

The joint-committee to receive the names of friends to serve this meeting as exorcisers have presented the following, viz. Matthew Howland, John B. Baylies, John T. Fisher, Arnold B. Thipp, A. Henry Hibber, Rebecca C. Bennett, Mary C. Baylies, Susan B. Thipp, Adelaide T. Hibber, Ann A. Macomber, Azubah Cannon and Susan E. Bennett, which being satisfactory they are appointed to that service for the ensuing year. We also appoint as Overseers of the Fair for this year, Phoebe T. Howland, Mary C. Baylies, Susan B. Thipp, Adelaide T. Hibber, Susan Cannon, Sarah Ann Thipp and Rebecca T. Howland.

A report from the joint-committee on Spiritual Instruction was read and is interesting and satisfactory to us. It is as follows,

To the Monthly Meeting,

The joint-committee upon the subject of Spiritual Instruction in Fuel-Day Schools, which has been nominally under appointment since 1877, report as follows. Since the Yearly Meeting, through its committee became more nearly cognizant of this work in the several Monthly Meetings and received advice respecting the condition and progress of the schools Fuel-Day has been attempted by us as a committee.

We can however state that in each of the meetings the school has, with few intermissions, been continued during the past year. At Long Plain the school is composed of three classes, one of adults and two of children with an average attendance of twenty six.

At Acushnet a little company, mainly of adults, gather at the close of the meeting, in one class for Bible Study, and this simple exercise has, we believe been a means of blessing and usefulness to the few engaged in it.

At Truro the school has been mainly continued through the year and we gladly report this, although we miss a want of enthusiasm and interest has been apparent.

At Chatham. Except during a short interval of time, when the school was laid on the ground by sickness,

it is a true and noble work and is better than
all the other work of the world.

At New Bedford. The school is continued without
intermission and although it is smaller than in former
years, considerable zeal and interest is manifested in its
support.

On the whole we believe a real blessing to the
church and to individuals has attended the work in this month's
Meeting, and in proportion to its aggressive character and to the
earnest effort, under the Divine blessing, to make real Christians,
to add to the church of Christ, and to promote a growth in grace
of all who come within its influence has the labor been successful.

A result of this work often remarked in different
localities in our Society is, we believe apparent in this meeting.
We allude to its effect in the promotion of unity and harmony
among those who are associated in it. This may be safely
accounted as a token for good.

On behalf of the committee.

Tenny S. Word,

Susan T. Thompson.

Nov. 26-1881.

We appoint for that service the ensuing year, Rachel S.
Rowland, Ruth Abney, Anna C. Word, Rebecca S. Rowland,
Elyria S. Rowland Susan T. Thompson and Adelaide T. Wilbur.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Susan T. Thompson, clerk.

At New Bedford. Monthly Meeting of the Society. Nov. 23rd 1881.

The following names were present at the
Meeting are Hattie E. Rowland and Abby T. Wilbur
from Long Plain, Phoebe S. Delano and Adeline S. Wilbur
who are present.

The following request for money was received
through the overseers of Long Plain. It is a request
for Hattie S. Davis and her two minor children
Elizabeth and Hattie Maria. Her husband also wishes
to be remembered.

To the church of the Lord Jesus Christ,
the following is the sum of money which is
to be paid to the church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

and one of our friends.

Hattie L. Davis.

It is also to request for our two orphans children, Annie Eliza and Hattie Maria

Richard Davis.

Long Plain Conn. 23rd 1881.

Hattie L. Davis.

We appoint our friends Anna C. Word and Susan S. Thompson to visit them on this account and report to the next meeting.

The books have been read at this time with annexes to the First, Second and Tenth received from our several Preparative meetings and a summary prepared thereon which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting to our friends Miss Ann Shipp, Susan S. Macomber, Cynthia Kirby, Phebe J. Howland and Adelaide J. Wilson whom we appoint our representatives.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Susan S. Thompson, clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held Jan. 28th 1881.

The representatives from our several Preparative Meetings are Sylvia C. Howland and Susan S. Leabury, from Long Plain Ann A. Macomber and Susan S. Shipp, who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended as appointed.

The committee appointed last month to visit Hattie L. Davis on account of her request for membership for herself and her two orphan children Annie Eliza and Hattie Maria presented the following report.

To the Monthly Meeting

According to our instructions we have had an interview with Hattie L. Davis on account of her request for herself and her two orphan children to be received into membership in our Society.

We believe her to have had some experience in a Christian life and that, having become acquainted with the prominent doctrines of Friends, her request is the result of a deliberate mind in this respect. We are united in recommending that she be received.

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their regular membership, as well as the donors, & such - and those who are not members but are anxious to assist in attending their meetings, & so on.

As the necessary arrangements were made to run out the object of the meeting by inviting those who attended our meetings for worship. The effort was not without success although far behind what was hoped for and the concern for the religious benefit of our members and attenders taking a vigorous turn the work of the committee was well advanced.

There would be no doubt that the committee is in a

Concluding and by direction of the committee

William C. Taber
Susan T. Trippe
Anna B. Wood

in Bedford Dec. 23rd 1881.

which is accepted and the committee proceed

The committee received a good series of letters addressed to New Concord Society meeting from our sisters of other similar bodies and we appoint Sarah Jane Taber, Anna B. Wood, Susan T. Trippe, Susan T. Thompson, Catherine Howland and Abby Wood to visit and read to our aged or infirmed friends such portions of them as may seem best adapted to their need.

An interesting article from our dear sister of New Concord meeting was read at this time.

A request having been received from the friends that a committee should be appointed to collect funds for the mission work on Mt. Lebanon we appoint William C. Taber, Susan T. Trippe, Susan T. Thompson, Catherine Howland and Abby Wood for that purpose.

The committee to the meeting have wished we could

Susan T. Thompson; Clerk.

At New Bedford Society Meeting of Home Friends held Jan. 22nd 1882.

The representatives from New Bedford Phreatic Society are Susan T. Trippe and Catherine Howland, from New Bedford Society of a Sylvia D. Weeks, who are all present. The meeting being absent Anna B. Wood

and accepted in concurrence with them friends and it is desired that it be signed and forwarded on our behalf.

The united with the mens meeting in selecting at this request our friend Wm. D. Taber from membership in our society. The annual report of the mission was then presented the report of the trustees and the accounts of the mission. The list of funds held by this meeting has been laid before us and a portion of it has been read. We concur with the mens meeting in the reappointment of David L. Stone as treasurer to the Auxiliary Society for the coming year.

The report of the first committee to visit the charitable fund of our friend Abraham Kearns is now been read and accepted and the same committee is reappointed to that service for the coming year.

An epistle from our dear sister of Long Beach, California has been read at this time.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude-

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends Oct 23rd 1852

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Hannah Sears and Sarah Antone - from Long Beach Susan G. Thirk and Esther D. Macomber who are present except one.

Information has been received from New Plain Preparative Meeting that Mary W. Chase requests a removal certificate to Providence Monthly Meeting, Rhode Island. Susan G. Thirk and Adelaide T. Wilbur are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

The following request for membership was then received through the mens meeting from William D. Taber and his wife Charlotte C. Taber.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

William D. Taber and his wife Charlotte have been visiting here for some time and have been attending the meetings of our friends. For some time Charlotte is expecting to be converted to become a member of your religious Society.

William D. Taber

Respectful Servant

Charlotte C. Taber

We would be glad to have them visit us and we would be glad to have them become members of our religious Society.

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The meeting was accounted a successful one. The
business was well attended to and the meeting
was concluded at 11 o'clock.

The business of the meeting being finished was concluded -
Susan M. Thompson, clerk.

New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
Friday month 23rd 1882.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative
meeting viz. Ann R. Anthony and sister L. Smith, from
Lond Plais, Rebecca L. Howland and Mary L. Howland,
were present except one.

A removal certificate on behalf of our dear friend
Charles H. Howland, addressed to New York Monthly Mts.
was read and accepted in concurrence with our
Friends. The clerk is directed to sign and forward it on
our behalf.

A removal certificate on behalf of our friend Mary
L. Howland, addressed to Providence Monthly Meeting, R.I.
was also read and accepted in concurrence with
our Friends and it is directed to be signed and
forwarded on our behalf.

The papers have been read at this time viz. reports
from our several Preparative Meetings, and a summary
reported therefrom, which was forwarded to the ensuing
Monthly Meeting by our friends, Susan M. Peabody, Susan
L. Howland, Rebecca L. Howland, Ann R. Anthony and Ann L.
Anthony, were our joint representatives.

An acceptable epistle from our dear sisters of Ohio
Monthly Meeting has been read at this time.

A committee appointed last month to visit William
L. Howland and his wife Charlotte E. Grediner presented
the following report.

To the Anti-Slavery Society.

The committee of the Society in response to our appointment in
the case of William L. Howland and his wife Charlotte E.
Grediner have been visiting them.

The friends were found to be in good health and
in good spirits, and we have been very much
pleased to see them and to hear of their progress.

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The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
: B. Susan L. Thompson, clerk.

At New Bedford, December 25th 1892.

The representatives from New Bedford Presbyterian
meeting are Sarah E. Eastland and John B. Anthony,
from Long Plain, Betsey G. Word and Adelaide T. Hibbs
and most recent except one who was prevented from attending
by illness.

The assistant clerk being absent Adelaide T. Hibbs
was appointed to that duty for the day.

Our dear friend John B. Pennington attended this
meeting presenting a satisfaction minute from
another meeting, in answer to Eastland's
invitation. His company and good services have been of
great value to us and the clerk is directed to write with
the clerk of the mens' meeting in furnishing them with a
minute to this effect.

The joint-committee to propose the names of friends
to serve this meeting as Overseers have presented the
following, viz.

Matthew Howland, John B. Baylies, David G. Word,
Arnold G. Trick, A. Harvey Hibbs, Mary C. Baylies,
Susan L. Thompson, Susan G. Kempton, Susan L. Trigg,
Adelaide T. Hibbs, Ann M. Eastland, and Susan L. ...
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Rachel S. Howard, Anna G. Ford, Ruth Allen,
 H. Howard, Edwin G. Howard, Susan S. Thompson,
 H. Wilson.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
 Susan S. Thompson, clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends the
 21st mo. 22nd 1882.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative
 are Ruth S. Smith and Rhoda A. Wright, from New Bedford
 Charlotte Cowen and Mary G. Macomber, who are present.

Our dear friend Agnes A. Benson attended this meeting
 presenting a satisfactory certificate from Edinburgh, where it was
 meeting her company and religious services have been very
 to us. The certificate states that she is a member of the
 meeting and is an official member of the Edinburgh
 meeting and is a member.

The queries have been read at this meeting and
 answers to the first, second and third received from the
 several Preparative Meetings and a summary prepared
 therefrom which we forward to the Quaker Yearly
 Meeting by our friends Rhoda Ann Wright, Susan Ann
 Seabury, Abby S. Kelley, Susan S. Smith, Elizabeth Simpson
 and Mary Ann King whom we thank our representatives.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
 Susan S. Thompson, clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
 21st mo. 2nd 1882.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative
 section are Sarah S. Bates and Cynthia A. Kirby, from
 New Bedford, Helen S. Ford and Maria Hafford, who are present.

The clerk of the meeting being absent, Anna G. Wood
 was appointed to that service for the day.

The representatives to the Yearly Meeting report
 that they attended except two, for whose absence satisfactory
 reasons were received.

The committee appointed to visit Mrs. Geggatt on
 account of her request for membership have presented

The following report is: "We have attended to our appointment and have visited Ann Beggath on account of her request to become a member of Friends Society. She was for many years entirely unacquainted with Friends, but she seems in good measure convinced of the religious views of Friends, and in unity with them in their manner of worship. Adelaide & W. H. B. Betsy & Wood"

which has been accepted by this meeting and we are united in desiring that she be a member of our Religious Society, having the concurrence of her Friends therein. We appoint Mary Hafford to perform her duty of the judgment of the meeting in this case.

We are requested by the Quarterly Meeting to appoint a joint committee to solicit aid for the Syrian Mission on Mount Lebanon. In accordance therewith we appoint our friends Alice Tucker, Helen H. Seabury, Mary E. Wood, Esther Dickinson, David Davis and John W. Macomber to this service, and to report the result to a future meeting.

The following extract from the Minutes of our last Quarterly Meeting has been received and read, viz.

"We have received at this time a Minute adopted by our last Yearly Meeting respecting some changes in the constitution of the Meeting of Ministers and Elders, which has been read. The subject is referred to the same attention of our several Monthly Meetings, which are requested to take the necessary steps in compliance with the instructions of the Yearly Meeting relative to the addition to the Minutes on Ministry and Oversight."

In accordance with the direction contained therein, we appoint the following Friends to unite with a similar committee from the Men's Meeting to propose the names of such Friends to the Monthly Meeting as in their judgment may seem to be suitable to be introduced into this Meeting on Ministry and Oversight. The committee is as follows: Rachel L. Howard, Anna L. Wood, John W. Howland, Mary A. Smith, Ruth L. Murray and Susan P. Phipps.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude the meeting for the day.

held Sun. 24th 1882.

The Representatives from New Bedford are Ruth May and Rhoda Ann Tripp, from New Bedford Mass. G. Macomber and Azubah Cannon who had previously attended.

The assistant clerk being absent Susan S. Tripp was appointed to that duty for the day.

Our beloved friend Caroline K. Talbot attended the meeting presenting a satisfactory certificate from her last Monthly Meeting, endorsed by those of the same denomination. Her company and religious services have been much needed here and the clerk is desired to write with the clerk of the Men's Meeting in furnishing her with a passport to this effect.

A removal certificate from Sandwich Meeting presented on behalf of Mary Sears has been read and accepted in concurrence with Men Friends and Rachel S. Howland is appointed to call upon her and inform her of her status.

The joint committee appointed to visit and receive the names of such persons as were thought suitable to be made members of the church on invitation and examine recent applications viz. David S. May, Sarah S. Tucker, John S. Stanton, William Brown, Sarah S. Carter, Irene S. Brown, Susan S. Brown, Rebecca T. Brown, Susan S. Smith, Mary S. Smith and Esther D. Macomber, which being satisfactory to this end the Men's Meeting the clerk is desired to present the names to the church for their action. The same committee is appointed to receive and examine former members of former churches.

Men Friends were appointed a committee to visit and receive the names of such as may seem to possess the gifts and qualifications necessary to fit them for the station of Elders, this meeting appoints Rachel S. Howland, Susan S. Thompson, Sarah S. May, John S. Brown and Esther D. Macomber to act on that committee in concurrence with Men Friends.

The business of the meeting being finished an order of prayer was read by Susan S. Thompson, clerk.

At New Bedford monthly meeting of Women Friends
held Decr 28. 1882.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative
are Adeline S. Syc and Abby S. Kelley - from Long
Plain Mary Ann Wing and Phoebe S. Delane who
are present except one. The clerk being absent
Susan M. Seabury was appointed to that duty for
the day, and Adelaide V. Wilbur assistant.

The queries with answers to the first, second and
tenth received from our several Preparative meetings
have been read at this time and a summary pre-
pared therefrom, which we forward to the ensuing
quarterly meeting to be held at Sandwich, by our
friends Adelaide V. Wilbur, Sarah E. Cartland,
Lydia D. Weeks and Susan M. Seabury whom we
appoint our representatives.

The joint Committee appointed last month to
bring forward names of those suitable to occupy
the station of Elders, presented the following
names - viz. Henry J. Wood and George Howland Jr.
which are accepted by this and the mens meeting
and are to be forwarded to the quarterly meeting
for its approval.

Mary Hafford informed the meeting that she
had notified Ann Cogall of her admission into
membership with us.

This meeting unites with mens Friends in disown-
ing Stephen S. Haswell from membership with us.

The business of the meeting finished we conclude
Susan M. Seabury clerk for the day.

At New Bedford monthly meeting of Women Friends
held 10ms. 26. 1882. The representatives from New

Bedford Preparative Mtg. are Sarah J. Taber and
Sarah E. Cartland from Long Plain Mary Hafford
and Mary J. Macomber, who are present.

The clerk having resigned her position on account
of ill health Anna J. Wood is appointed to that ser-
vice for the day.

The representatives to the quarterly Mtg. report
that they attended except one, for whose absence.

a satisfactory reason is assigned
 Rachel S Howland informs that she has attended to
 her duty in the case of Mary Sears.
 The following request for membership was received
 through New Bedford Preparative meeting.

"Providence 18th. mo 16. 1882.

To New Bedford monthly meeting of Friends.

Dear Friends

I desire to become a member of your
 religious society, which I refer to your kind considera-
 tion. With love, Sarah Howland Smith."

We appoint our friends Ruth S Murray and Rhoda
 T Gifford to communicate with her on the account
 and report at a future mg.

Our beloved friend Caroline E Talbot is again
 acceptably in attendance of this mg. Her certificates
 were read and minuted, at our mg. in 8th. mo. last.
 We have received a few copies of Epistles addressed
 to New England Yearly mg. from our sisters of other
 similar bodies and we appoint Elizabeth C. Murray,
 Mary R Seabury, Elizabeth St Taber, Abby S Howland,
 Rachel S Howland, Harriet S Davis, Guiljelma P
 Eldridge, Elizabeth C Wilbur and Mary G Macomber
 to visit and read to our aged or invalid Friends such
 portions of them as may seem best adapted to
 their needs.

Men Friends inform
 that they have received the following communica-
 tion from the clerk of the Quarterly mg. viz. That
 the names of Friends appointed by this mg. to be
 added to the meeting for ministry and Oversight
 were concurred with by the Quarterly mg. and also
 the appointment of George Howland Jr. to the station
 of Elder - and that on account of the earnest
 declination of Henry T Wood, his care was referred
 back to the monthly mg. and he is now excused for
 the present. We unite in this conclusion of men Friends.

We appoint Rachel S Howland, Anna G Wood, Susan
 S Stripp, Ruth S Murray and Mary C Baylies, to
 propose the name of a Friend to serve the mg. as
 clerk the remainder of the year. The business of
 the mg. being finished we conclude

Anna G Wood

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 11th. mo. 23. 1882. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Ann R. Anthony and Susan G. Kempton from Long Plain Louisa R. Genish and Hattie L. Davis who are all present. The name of Mary E. Baylis is brought forward to serve this mng. as clerk by the committee to whom the subject was referred, and the mng. uniting therewith she is appointed for that service for the remainder of the year.

The queries with answers to the First, Second and Tenth received from our several Preparative Meetings have been read, and a summary prepared therefrom, which we forward to the ensuing quarterly mng. next to be held in New Bedford, by our friends Rebecca S. Howland, Harriet S. Davis, Abby S. Kelley, Ruth L. Smith and Ruth Amy whom we appoint our representatives.

The committee in the case of Sarah Howland Smith bring a most satisfactory report, and we unite in receiving her as a member of this religious society, having the concurrence of Men Friends. Susan M. Clebury is appointed to inform her of the judgment of this mng. "A very satisfactory interview has been had with Sarah Howland Smith on account of her request to be received into membership with Friends, 'She feels that through faith in the atonement of the Lord Jesus she has been forgiven and made one of his children, and now she desires to connect herself with this portion of his militant Church, the truth of whose principles commends itself to her judgment. On behalf of the committee Rhoda Gifford
Ruth S. Munay"

An exercise has arisen in this meeting in regard to the desecration of the Sabbath, by public amusements on that evening. A committee was appointed to lay the subject before Men Friends, who after conferring with them report, that they cordially unite with the exercise, and propose that a paper be prepared and signed by the clerks of this meeting, containing a protest against such proceedings, and that it be presented to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen by a joint deputation of Men and Women Friends. We accordingly appoint

Rachel S Howland and Anna G Wood for that service. We concur with our Friends in authorizing Matthew Barney to sell certain land with buildings thereon situated on Nantucket formerly known as Friends Boarding School property. The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Mary C Baylies clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly meeting of Women Friends held 12 mo. 28th, 1882. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mng. are Cynthia A Kirby and Elizabeth Bailey from Long Plain Charlotte Cowen and Azubah Cannon, who are all present. The representatives to the quarterly Mng. report that they were all in attendance. Susan M Seabury informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Sarah Howland Smith. The committee appointed to present a protest against the desecration of the first-day of the week present the following report. "The joint-committee appointed last month to take some action in relation to the introduction into the City of New Bedford of public amusements on first-day evenings, report that preliminary steps were taken for an interview with the Mayor and aldermen, when the managers of the principal theater in the city, having solicited an expression of the conscientious feelings of the community, we embraced the opportunity to present the scruples and the earnest desire of Friends on the subject. The attempt to introduce the amusements was soon abandoned, and we ask to be excused from further care in the case," which was read and accepted by this and the mens meeting. It is proposed that the clerks, with the assistance of Susan T Thompson, prepare an account of the proceedings of the monthly Mng. for the past few months and forward to our sisters in Pembroke who are unable to attend regularly. The business of the meeting being finished we conclude

Mary C Baylies clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held
 1st mo. 25th. 1883. The representatives from New Bedford
 Preparative meeting are South L. Smith and Susan M.
 Seabury, from Long Plain Elizabeth G. Wilbur and
 Harriet W. Davis. Our friends at Pembroke very feel-
 ingly acknowledge the reception of the minutes which
 were forwarded to them, and desire a continuance of
 them in the future. Our dear friend Charlotte L.
 Holmes attended this meeting, presenting a satisfactory
 minute from Providence Mo. meeting. Her company and
 gospel labors have been very acceptable to us, and the
 clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the mens
 meeting, in signing an endorsement on her certificate.
 An Epistle from our sisters in North Carolina has been
 acceptably read at this time. The annual report
 of the Auditors who had examined the account of the
 Treasurer, also the account of the several trust funds
 held by this meeting, has been laid before us, and a
 portion of it has been read. We concur with the mens
 meeting in the reappointment of David S. Wood as
 Treasurer of the monthly Mtg. for the ensuing year.
 The report of the joint committee to dispense the
 charitable fund of our friend Abram Shearman Jr.
 has been read, and the same committee is reappointed
 to that service for the ensuing year. The business of
 the meeting being finished we conclude.
 Mary C. Baylis clerk.

At New Bedford mo. meeting of Women Friends held
 2 mo. 2nd. 1883. The representatives from New Bedford
 Preparative meeting are Rhoda Ann Tripp and Alice
 Tucker, from Long Plain Phebe S. Delano and Ann A.
 Macomber, who are all present. The following report has
 been read from the committee appointed in seventh
 month last, to solicit contributions in aid of Friends
 Syrian Mission on Mt. Lebanon, and the same com-
 mittee reappointed for further service in that di-
 rection. "The committee appointed by this meeting
 some months since to solicit donations for the Brumana

mission, have to report that they have collected only thirty dollars. On behalf of the committee.

Alice Tucker

Helen M. Seaburn

An epistle from the monthly meeting held at Brumana has been acceptably read. The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Mary C Baylis clerk.

At New Bedford mo. meeting of Women Friends held 3 mo. 22nd 1883. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Cynthia S Kirby and Susan G Stimpson; from Long Plain Mary S Wood and Esther R Dillingham who are present except two for the absence of one a satisfactory reason was assigned. The queries have been read at this with answers from our several Preparative meetings and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing quarterly mtg. by our representatives who are Rebecca S Howland, Phebe S Delano, Sarah C Cartland, Adelaide T Wilbur, and Ruth L Smith. An epistle from our sisters in Baltimore has been acceptably read. A report from the committee appointed to examine records has been read, showing that we have lost five members by death, and three by removal and disownment, making a total of eight; that the additions by request and certificates are five, making a net loss of three. Whole number of members 389.

The committee appointed to audit the accounts of the retiring Treasurer, and to propose the name of a friend for Treasurer, report, that they have attended to that duty, and find the account correct; and they propose the name of Albert W Holmes as Treasurer, which is acceptable to the meeting, and he is therefore appointed for the ensuing year, or until another appointment. The joint committee appointed in the Jano 1882 to present to this meeting the names of Friends suitable and qualified to become members of the

Meeting of Ministry and Oversight report that careful attention has been given to the duty assigned them, and they have thankfully to acknowledge having been favored to act with great unanimity in selecting the names already presented, and are now united in asking to be released, while they believe there are names to be brought forward in the future by a committee appointed for the same service. On behalf of the committee.

Matthew Howland Ruth L. Murray. This report is accepted and the committee released.

The business of the Mtg. being finished we conclude
Mary C Baylis clerk.

At New Bedford Ann. Mtg. of Women Friends held Aug. 26, 1883. Representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mtg. are Sarah E. Howland, and Abby S. Kelley, from Long Plain Sophronia Giggath, and Esther D. Macomber who are present except one.

The time for which the clerks of this Mtg. were appointed having expired Mary C Baylis is reappointed as clerk and Susan M. Seabury as assistant clerk for the ensuing year, or until another appointment.

The representatives to the quarterly Mtg. attended pursuant to appointment.

The time for which the Overseers of this Mtg. were appointed having expired, we appoint Sarah H. Anthony, Rebecca L. Howland, Ruth L. Smith, Anna C. Wood, and Abby S. Kelley, to unite with a similar committee of Men Friends, to bring forward names of men and women Friends suitable to perform that duty, & report to our next Ann. Meeting.

The following information is received from New Bedford Preparative Mtg. to the monthly Meeting.

For some time past a difference has existed in the family of Josiah and Sarah A. Holmes, which has been a grief to their friends and a discredit to the cause of Truth. The overseers have bestowed much labor in the case, in order if possible to reconcile them, and Josiah Holmes has manifested a willingness to accede to all their requests. Sarah Holmes has

also been visited several times, but these interviews have not resulted satisfactorily, and when endeavors were made to bring them together, she entirely declined to have such a meeting with us, and we have been unable to accomplish anything further. We therefore submit the case to the Ans. Mtg. signed Susan G. Kempton, Mary C. Baylies, Susan T. Thompson, Matthew Howland, John B. Baylies, Housers.

We appoint Rhoda T. Clifford, Ruth W. Murray, Susan M. Seabury and Ruth L. Smith to unite with a similar committee of men friends to visit them on the account.

An epistle from our sisters in Indiana has been acceptably read at this time.

Men Friends inform that they have appointed a committee to consider if it is advisable to assume the responsibility of the Howland Chapel school, and what course is best to pursue in regard to it, and request that we appoint a similar committee, to report to a future meeting. We accordingly appoint Mary C. Baylies, Ruth W. Murray, Ruth L. Smith, Sarah J. Taber, Sarah E. Hartland and Adelaide V. Wilbur for that service.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Mary C. Baylies clerk.

At New Bedford ms. mtg. of Women Friends held
Ans. 24. 1883. The representatives from New Bedford
Preparative mtg. are Mary Ann Wing and Ruth Huxy,
from Long Plain Charlotte E. Gardner and Mary C.
Macomber who are all present.

The joint committee to propose the names of friends
to serve this meeting as Overseers have presented the
following viz. Matthew Howland, John B. Baylies, Edw.
T. Tucker, Arnold G. Tripp, N. Henry Wilbur, Thomas
T. Hafford, Susan G. Kempton, Susan T. Thompson,
Susan M. Seabury, Susan L. Tripp, Adelaide V. Wilbur,
Agatha Cannon and Mary Hafford; which being
satisfactory to this and the mens mtg. they are appointed

to that service for the ensuing year. We also appoint as Overseers of the Poor Phoebe S Howland, Susan S. Trapp, Adelaide & Wilbur Azubak Cannon, Rhoda Ann Trapp and Rebecca S Howland.

An acceptable epistle from our sisters of Dublin Yearly Mtg. has been read at this time, also one from our sisters of Ohio Yearly Meeting.

The committee appointed to visit Josiah and Sarah A Holmes present the following report:

To the Monthly Meeting

The com. appointed by the monthly meeting in regard to the difference in Josiah Holmes' family would report, that they have visited Josiah and Sarah Holmes and have received from them, an acknowledgement of past errors, and an expression of intention of amendment in the future. The com. therefore desire to be released from further service. Wm C. Taber, Edward C. Dillingham, Rhoda T. Gifford, Susan M. Seabury, Ruth L. Smith,

Giving to a communication received from Sarah Holmes the case is referred to the same committee with the addition of the Overseers of New Bedford Preparative meeting for further action.

The committee to solicit contributions in aid of the Brumana Mission report the amount which has been collected, and are released from further service. The business of the meeting being finished we conclude. Mary L. Baylis clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held Nov 28. 1883. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mtg. are Sylvia S. Howland and Mary Howland, from Long Plain Abbie Wood and Esther R. Dillingham who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason is assigned.

The queries have been read in this meeting

with answers to the first, second and tenth, received from our several Preparative mtgs. and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing quarterly mtg. by our friends Phoebe B Stocum, Azubah Cannon, Mary L Baylies and Susan S Scripps whom we appoint our representatives.

The com. with reference to the Howland Chapel present the following. To the Monthly Meeting

The joint-com. appointed in 4mo. last with reference to the Bible School, which for a number of years has been sustained in the Howland Chapel in the ~~across~~ northern part of this city, to consider the claims of that school upon this meeting, and whether any responsibility should be assumed by Friends in the case-report, that upon consideration we are united in making the following propositions for the action of the meeting - That a com. of both men and women be appointed to make occasional visits to the school, and with whom the superintendent and teachers may advise for its best interests, That the cost for fuel, and of the care taker, or janitor be assumed by the mo. meeting for the next year, leaving the expense for books, papers, and other current needs of the school, to be obtained as at present, by voluntary contributions.

On behalf of the committee Henry J Wood

Sarah Jane Taber.

This report is accepted in concurrence with men Friends, and the subject is referred to the same committee for further action.

The following report is accepted in concurrence with the mens meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting,

The committee in regard to the differences in the family of Josiah Holmes Jr. have taken the case into consideration. They find no cause for a change in the report presented last month in regard to him, and would therefore recommend the proceedings in his case be discontinued.

Owing to the absence from the city of Sarah A

1 Holmes they would suggest that ~~this~~ case be continued under the care of a committee of women friends, Siguel, Rhoda S Gifford, Ruth S Murray, Susan M Seabury, Ruth S Smith, Mary C Baylis,

Wm C Taber, Edw. G Dillingham, John B Baylis. In accordance with the recommendation of the com. the case is continued, as far as relates to Sarah A Holmes, under the care of the com. originally appointed, with the option of calling a mtg. with the Overseers if desired.

Our dear friend Wm P Macomber a minister in unity with ^{us} laid before this mtg. the concern he had long felt to visit in gospel love Ferrisburg quarterly mtg., and the mtgs. within its limits, also to visit families. After a time of deliberation his prospect was cordially united with, and he liberated to attend thereto, as Truth may open the way, and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the mens mtg. in furnishing him with a minute to this effect.

Esther D Macomber presents the following
To New Bedford monthly meeting

Dear Friends

Believing it to be right for me to accompany my husband, in his proposed religious visit, within the limits of Ferrisburg quarterly mtg; I submit the matter to Friends

Esther D Macomber
Mattapoisett 6mo 28. 1853.

Her prospect is united with, and she left at liberty to attend thereto. The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the mens mtg. in furnishing her with a minute conformable to the above.

The business of the mtg being finished,
we conclude.

Mary C Baylis clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 7mo 26
1883. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg.
are Adeline Stige and Sarah Jane Taber, from Long Plain
Mary G Macomber and Adelaide T Wilbur who are present
except one, for whose absence a sufficient reason is
given. The representatives to the Quarterly Mtg.
report that they were all in attendance.

A report of the joint-committee appointed with ref-
erence to the school held in Howland Chapel is united
with in concurrence with Men Friends, and the same
committee reappointed to bring forward the names of
a committee to make occasional visits at the school
with whom the Superintendant and teachers may ad-
vise for its best interests.

We are requested by the Quarterly Mtg. to appoint
a joint committee to solicit contributions in aid of
Friends Syrian Mission on Mt. Lebanon. In accord-
ance therewith we appoint our friends Sophia Ricketson
Sarah J Taber, Elizabeth C Murray, Elizabeth Wilbur,
Mary S Wood, and Betsey G Luce to this service and
report the result to a future meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Mary C Baylies clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 8mo 23. 1883.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg.
are Rhoda Ann Cripp and Sophia Ricketson, from Long
Plain Eloise Adla Hafford and Phebe A Delano who
are all present. An interesting epistle from our
sisters in London has been read at this time.

A removal certificate on behalf of Henry Wood
addressed to Baltimore mo. mtg. has been read and
approved in concurrence with Men Friends.

The business of the meeting being accomplished
we conclude.

Mary C Baylies clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held 9mo. 27 1883. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Phoebe Howland and Elizabeth Bailey from Long Plain Esther B Macomber and Betsey G Wood who are all present. The queries with answers to the first, second and tenth received from our several Preparative mtgs. have been read at this time and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing quarterly mtg. next to be held at Sandwich by our friends Hetty C Howland, Rebecca S Howland, Susan S Tripp, Sylvia D Wicks, Sarah C Bartland and Elizabeth C Wilbur whom we appoint our representatives. The following request for membership has been received through the Overseers.

Friends School Sept. 17. 1883

Dear Friends

I have attended Friends meetings quite regularly for some time past, and have become quite interested in them, and if by joining with you I could promote the work that is being done for my Master, I would like to, if you think it best.

yours truly

Marion C Aldrich.

We therefore appoint Anna G Wood and Susan S Thompson to communicate with her on the account and report to a future meeting.

Information received from our friends at Nantucket has called forth much earnest sympathy from this meeting, and the desire that the meeting held there be sustained by Friends. The subject is postponed for further consideration at a future meeting.

We unite with Men Friends in accepting a removal certificate from the Mo. mtg. of Friends of Philadelphia for the Western District on behalf of Francis B Gumanere.

Ann R Anthony and Phoebe B Hlocum are appointed to unite with a similar committee of Men Friends to prepare a removal certificate on behalf of David S Wood, and Lydia H Wood, and their minor children Joseph R, and Alice S Wood. The business of the meeting being finished we conclude. M. C. Baylies clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. meeting of Women Friends held 10 mo.
25th 1883. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative
Mtg. are Abby S Kelley and Sarah Antone from Long Plain
Sophronia Geggatt and Azubah Cannon who are present
except two, for the absence of one a sufficient reason is
assigned. The representatives to the quarterly mtg.
were all in attendance.

A removal certificate on behalf of David S Wood &
family addressed to New York Mo. mtg has been read
and accepted in concurrence with Men Friends and the
clerk is directed to sign and forward it to that Mtg.

It is proposed by the Overseers that a removal certi-
ficate be forwarded to Phila. mo. mtg. Western District
on behalf of Jacob Wood and family. We therefore
appoint Ruth S Murray, and Phebe Howland to unite
with a similar committee of Men Friends to make the
necessary enquiry and report to a future mtg.

The joint committee in charge of the Howland Chapel.
present the following.

"The committee to present names of some friends
to constitute a committee to have the charge of the
Christian work carried on at the Howland Chapel
would propose the following, Matthew Howland, Charles
Taber, Rachel S Howland, Henry T Wood, Anna G Wood
Sarah J Taber, John B Baylies, Mary C Baylies
Sarah A Cartland, Robert B Taber, Alice Tucker
Mrs Thompson and Ruth S Murray and Phebe B
Slocum. On behalf of the com.

Matthew Howland,

Ruth S Murray."

This being acceptable ~~the~~ to the meeting the committee
are accordingly appointed to that service.

The condition of the Nantucket mtg. having again
claimed our attention we appoint our friends Anna G
Wood and Ann P Anthony to unite with a committee
of Men Friends to take the whole subject into considera-
tion and report to a future meeting.

The committee appointed in 10 mo. past to
visit and read to our aged and invalid Friends
such portions of the Epistles addressed to New England

Yearly Mtg. as may seem best adapted to their needs, are reappointed to that service.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude,
Mary E Baylis clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 11 mo.
22. 1883. The representatives from New Bedford
Preparative Mtg. are Ann R. Anthony and Sarah R.
Wing, from Long Plain Charlotte Bowen and Ann A
Macomber, who are all present.

The queries have been read at this time with
answers to the first, second and tenth, received from
our several Preparative Mtgs. and a summary pre-
pared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing
quarterly mtg. by our friends Esther D. Macomber,
Rebecca S. Howland, Ann R. Anthony, Rhoda Ann
Tripp, and Mary S. Wood, whom we appoint as
representatives.

The committee appointed to communicate with
Maria E. Aldrich on account of her request for
membership, present the following report-

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to our appointment we have conferred
with Maria E. Aldrich and are satisfied that she
is a christian girl - seeking the Lord's guidance
in all things - She believes that it is in obedience
to His will that she makes this application which
she has had under consideration for some time.

We are united in recommending that she should
be received as a member of our Religious Society.

Anna E. Wood.

Susan T. Thompson

11 mo. 16, 1883,

which has been accepted by this mtg. and we are
united in receiving her as a member of our Religious
Society, having the concurrence of our friends herein.
We appoint Susan T. Thompson to inform her of the
judgment of the mtg in her case.

Certificates on behalf of our friends Geo. S. Tucker

Joseph D Wood, and Prince A Weeks addressed to Boston mo. mtg. have been read and approved in concurrence with men friends, and the clerk is directed to sign and forward them on our behalf.

The subject of a removal certificate to Philadelphia mo. mtg. for the Western District, for Gabez Wood, his wife Mary A Wood, and minor son Jas. H Wood having been brought before us, we appoint Ruth S Murray, Phebe Howland, Susan S Tripp, and Sarah H Anthony to unite with a similar committee of Men Friends to make the necessary inquiry and report to a future meeting.

In concurrence with Men Friends we are united in sending the name of our dear friend Henry J Wood for appointment to the station of Elder to the quarterly meeting for its approval.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Mary C Baylies clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 12th mo. 27th, 1883. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Ruth Abney and Adeline S Nye from Long Plain Betsy C Wood and Charlotte C Gardner who are present except two, for the absence of one a sufficient reason was given.

The representatives to the quarterly mtg. were in attendance except one whose absence was occasioned by sickness in her family.

Information is received from Long Plain that Elloe C S Wing wife of Daniel Wing has resided for some time within the limits of Sandwich mo. mtg. without certificate, we therefore appoint Adelaide V Wilbur and Susan S Kempton to make the necessary inquiry and report to a future mtg.

A removal certificate on behalf of Gabez Wood and family, prepared by the committee appointed, has been read and approved in concurrence with Men Friends, and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the Womens Mtg. in signing and forwarding it to Phila. mo. mtg. for the Western District.

The following request for membership in this religious society has been received from Helen M. Clarke,
To the Society of Friends

New Bedford

Believing sincerely in the principles as set forth by the Society of Friends and having a religious conviction of what my duty is, after seeking guidance and direction from my Heavenly Father, have been led to sever my connection with the North Congregational Church in New Bedford and do hereby request membership with you.

Yours Respectfully

12mo 24, 1883.

Mrs Helen M. Clarke

We appoint Phibe B. Stocums and Ruth S. Murray to visit her on the account and report to a future meeting.

A communication addressed to New Bedford mo. mtg. is received and referred to the following committee Sylvia G. Howland, Rhoda T. Gifford, Ruth Almy and Ruth S. Murray, who after examining it report that it is not advisable to read it in this mtg.

We concur with Men Friends in the decision that it is not advisable to prepare a removal certificate in the case of Geo. Kempton, and his wife Marianna M. Kempton, as they desire to continue members with us, this mtg. being more readily accessible to them.

The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the mens mtg. in preparing a suitable testimonial in regard to our dear friends Henry T. Wood, to be placed on the records of the mo. mtg.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Mary C. Baylies clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly meeting of Women Friends held 1st mo. 24, 1884. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Susan G. Kempton and Phibe T. Howland, from Long Plain Harriet T. Davis and Mary G. Macomber, who are present except two, for the absence of one a sufficient reason is assigned.

The annual report of the auditors who had examined the account of the Treasurer, also the account of the several trust funds held by this mtg. has been laid before us, and a portion of it has been read. We concur with our friends in the reappointment of Albert W Holmes as Treasurer of the M. Mtg. for the ensuing year.

The report of the joint committee to dispense the charitable fund of our friend Abraham Sherman Jr. has been read and the same committee is reappointed with the exception of Susan S Thompson who declines to serve on account of ill health, and the addition of Elizabeth C Murray.

The com. appointed to visit Helen M Clarke on account of her request for membership present the following report

To the Monthly Meeting

According to appointment we have visited Helen M Clarke. We found her resting in the finished work of the Lord Jesus, believing that for Christ's sake her sins are forgiven her. She feels it to be a privilege to be associated with Friends, believing their views to be in accordance with the Gospel. She is well versed in the Discipline with which she can entirely unite, and is very desirous of being led and guided by the Spirit of Truth.

On behalf of the Committee Phoebe B Stocum.

Ruth S Munay.

which has been accepted by this mtg. and we are united in receiving her as a member of our religious society having the concurrence of our Friends herein.

A letter of dismission from the North Congregational Church of this city on her behalf was received, stating that she had been a member in good and regular standing among them. The clerks are directed to inform the Congregational Church that she is received by us.

We appoint Rachel S Howland to inform her of the judgment of the mtg. in her case.

The committee to whom was referred the case in the case of Sarah A Holmes bring this report

To the Monthly Meeting

The com. appointed in the case of Sarah Holmes would

report, that they have had an interview with her, and find that a misunderstanding has arisen between the Overseers and herself. She says she never intended to decline an interview with them, but wished to postpone it on account of the illness of her daughter. The Overseers on their part understood her to positively refuse to receive them, but are willing to accept her statement.

But the com. feel that the differences in the family which caused the original complaint are still existing and that further care in the case is necessary.

Ruth L. Smith, Rhoda J. Gifford, Susan M. Seabury. Ruth L. Murray.

which is accepted by this mtg. and the same com. reappointed, with the addition of Mary A. Smith to take further care in the case.

Removal certificates from Westport mo. mtg. on behalf of Charles H. Gifford and Nathaniel W. Gifford are received from the Men's mtg. and concurred in by us.

A testimonial in regard to our beloved friend Henry J. Wood was prepared as directed, and it being united with by this mtg. it will be placed on the records of this mo. mtg.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.
Mary E. Baylis Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held 2nd mo. 28, 1844. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Ruth L. Smith and Miriam Underhill from Long Plain Charlotte E. Gardiner and Elizabeth Wilbur, one of whom is present, the absence of the others was occasioned by a very severe storm.

A removal certificate directed to Sandwich, mo. mtg. on behalf of Daniel S. Wing and Chloe E. S. Wing has been read and approved by in concurrence with Men Friends, and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the Mens mtg in signing and forwarding it to that meeting.

An epistle from our sisters of Kansas Yearly meeting

has been acceptably read at this time.

The following request is received

To the Monthly Meeting

I ask for a copy of that which was recorded in the Monthly Meeting book of last fifth month concerning me. also all that has been minuted on said book relating in any wise to me since that time.

Respectfully Sarah A Holmes

Phila 2 mo 17, 1884.

We concur with our Friends in furnishing to the com. having her case in charge, copies of all minutes on our records relating to her including and subsequent to the 5th mo. 1883, to be read to her by them, and retained in the hands of that committee.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Mary C Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 3 mo. 27, 1884. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg are Rhoda Ann Snipp and Alice W Shocum from Long Plain Charlotte Cowan and Azubah Cannon, who are all present.

The queries have been read at this time with answers from our several Preparative mtgs. and a summary prepared therefrom, which we forward to the ensuing quarterly mtg. by our representatives, who are Rebecca S Howland, Hetty C Howland, Elizabeth G Wilbur Mary Hafford and Ann B. Anthony.

The subject of a removal certificate to Boston mo. mtg. having been brought before us for Isaac G Wilbur and his wife Maria Wilbur we appoint Adelaide V Wilbur and Ruth L Smith to unite with a similar committee of Men Friends to make the necessary enquiry and report to a future meeting.

The com. having the care in the case of Sarah A Holmes present the following report,

To the Monthly Meeting

The com. in the case of Sarah A Holmes would report that they sought an interview with her in accordance

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with the decision of the Mo. Meeting. In return they have received the following note.

In reply to a note received bearing several signatures, I will say I wish them to bear in mind when I last met the Com. all reference to family matters was positively forbidden by them, they emphatically stated when the report of the joint com. was accepted by the meeting that subject was dismissed and could not be brought up again, so according to their own statement the com. is entirely out of order, and on that ground I decline seeing them..

The copy of the minutes asked for and granted by the meeting should be forwarded by the clerk.

Respectfully Sarah A Holmes

3, 4, 1884

The com. feel that further service in the case will be unavailing and would therefore ask to be released.

On behalf of the com. Rhoda T Gifford, Ruth L Smith, Ruth S Murray, Susan M Seabury.
3mo. 27, 1884.

which is accepted by this mtg. and the same committee reappointed for further service, with the addition of Phoebe B Hlocum.

Rachel S Howland reports that she has visited Helen M Clarke according to appointment, to inform her of the action of this mtg in her case.

The com. appointed in the case of Nantucket meeting present the following report

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed in the case of Nantucket Mtg. House have given attention to it and would propose that a standing com. of men and women friends be appointed to have charge of the building and keep it in repair.

That they be authorized to have it opened for religious meetings whenever occasion should occur; the expense to be paid by the Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting.

Edward G Dellingham, Matthew Howland, John B Baylies, Anna E Wood, Ann B Anthony Wm C Inter.

3mo 26, 1884.

which is accepted and the committee reappointed for that service.

A report from the com. appointed to examine records has been read, showing that we have lost eight members by death, and thirteen by removal, making a total of twenty one, that the admissions by certificate are three by request two, by birth one, making a net loss of fifteen. Whole number of members 374.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.
Mary C Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 24th. mo. 24. 1884. The representatives from New Bedford Prep. mtg. are Adeline S. Fox and Sophia Ricketson. from Long Plain Harriet S Davis and Adelaide V Wilbur, who are all present.

The time for which the clerks of this mtg. were appointed having expired Mary C Baylies is reappointed as clerk and Susan M Seabury as assistant clerk for the ensuing year, or until another appointment.

The representatives to the quarterly mtg. attended pursuant to appointment.

The time for which the Overseers of this mtg. were appointed having expired we appoint Mary Wood, Sylvia G Howland, Harriet S Davis and Ruth L Smith to unite with a similar committee of men and women Friends, to bring forward names of men and women Friends suitable to perform that duty, and report to a future mtg.

The business of the mtg being finished we conclude
Mary C Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 5th. mo. 22. 1884. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg are Alice Lacker and Ruth May, from Long Plain Susan S Tripp and Esther B Pierce, who are all present.

Our dear friend Mary H Rogers attended this meeting presenting a satisfactory minute from Cottonwood ms. mtg. endorsed by Cottonwood quarterly mtg. Kansas. Her company and services have been acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the men's mtg. in furnishing her with a minute to this effect.

The joint com. to propose the names of friends to serve this mtg. as Overseers present the following Matthew Howland, John B Baylis, Edward T Tucker Susan M Seabury, Susan T Thompson, Mary R Baylis, Ruth L Smith, Arnold E Tripp, N Hervey Wilbur, Thomas F Hafford, Susan T Tripp, Adelaide T Wilbur, Azubah Cannon, and Mary Hafford, which being acceptable to this and the men's mtg. they are appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

We also reappoint as Overseers of the Poor the same friends that served last year.

The com. appointed to make enquiry in regard to a removal certificate for Maria T Wilbur present the following. "The com. appointed to communicate with Maria T Wilbur in regard to a removal certificate to Boston ms. mtg. have received the enclosed letter which we refer to the ms. mtg. Ruth L Smith Adelaide T Wilbur"

New Bedford 5th ms. 22. 1864.

and the same com. is reappointed to prepare a certificate on her behalf.

The com. to visit the Jail and Alms House present the following report

"To the Monthly Meeting

The com. appointed to visit the Alms House, House of Correction, and Jail in this city for the purpose of administering the comfort and consolation of the Gospel to this neglected and suffering portion of the community report — That during the earlier years of their appointment some of their number attended the meetings for worship at the House of Correction and at the Alms House: — and also at some intervals since and as companions to Ministers of our Society. Some tracts have also been distributed on these occasions

by them. — They always found a warm welcome from those in charge, and it is believed, that these meetings were profitable seasons to some. — While if in later years this work has seemed to languish, we hope it may be revived, and that it will be continued under the care of a Committee of this mtg.

Signed on behalf of the Com.
New Bedford 5mo, 16. 84.

Charles Taber
Rachel S Howland"

and we appoint Ann R Anthony, Phebe Howland, Ruth Almy, and Susan S Gifford to unite with a similar com. of men friends to bring forward names of friends for a new com. for that service and report next month.

The com. appointed to visit and labor with our friend Sarah A Holmes in regard to the differences in her family present the following report viz

To the monthly meeting

The com. in the case of Sarah A Holmes would report that they have again attempted to have an interview without avail. For nearly a year they have endeavored in a gospel spirit and manner to reconcile the differences in her family, but they do not find in her a repentant spirit for the errors of the past and determination to do better in the future. Consequently they feel that the time has come for the Mo. mtg. to take charge of the case.

Rhoda T Gifford. Mary A Smith

Ruth L. Smith. Susan M Seabury. Ruth S Murray.

The mtg. after earnest consideration, and the unity of men friends expressed in joint-session directed the clerk to make a minute of disavowment. Sarah A Anthony and Ruth Almy are appointed to furnish her with a copy of this minute, and inform her of her right to appeal.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C Bayles Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly meeting of Women Friends held
June 24. 1894. The subject being "The Christian's Duty to the World."

second and last received from our several Preparative mtgs. have been read at this time, and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing quarterly mtg. and to be read in due time by our friends. The last of these, Agents, were Mr. E. Howland, Sarah B. Wier and Elizabeth Bailey. Then we appoint our representatives.

Our dear friend Stephen Eastman's report of the did this meeting presenting a satisfactory minute from Durham Monthly mtg. held in joint-session at Lewiston Maine. His company and services have been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the next mtg. in visiting him with a minute of this office.

A cordial greeting from the Bible School to this mo. mtg. has been received, read, and approved and the clerks are requested to prepare a reply.

The following committee are appointed to unite with a similar committee of men friends to bring around inmates of those suitable to occupy the station of Elders if way should open Mary A. Smith, Anna G. Wood, Susan S. Stripp and Mary Hafford.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylis Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 10 mo. 23, 1884. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative meeting are Deborah Howland and Elizabeth Bailey, from Long Plain Esther S. Macomber and Mary G. Macomber who are present except one.

The representatives to the quarterly mtg. report that they were all in attendance.

A mutual certificate from the in-
Pahle, addressed to Elizabeth and Susan the meeting from
G. Wood and Mary C. Baylis are appointed to prepare
one and present to this mtg.

The committee to visit and read to our aged and invalid Friends such portions of the Epistle addressed to New England Yearly mtg. as may be best adapted to their needs are requested to
service with the exception of Rachel S. Howland and
the relation of David S. Baker.

Boston meeting, informs us that they have accepted our annual report in the name of Isaac G. and Maria A. Hutton.

We are informed by Mrs. Simonds that they have received the following information from the clerk of the quarterly meeting, viz: that the names of friends appointed by this body to be added to the list for ministering and Greenlight were concurred in by the quarterly meeting.

The following report is received from the committee having in charge the affairs of the friends in Nantucket, viz:

To the monthly meeting

The committee appointed in the 3rd. month last to consider the expediency of reopening the meeting house at Nantucket on first days through the summer and also to make some necessary repairs on the house report

that they have given attention to the object of their appointment. They early decided to make an effort to have the house opened for religious meetings on first days, and also to secure the attendance of ministering friends on those occasions; meetings have been held on eight consecutive first days, at the end of which time it was thought by the committee, as the summer visitors had very generally left the island, that perhaps for this year they might be discontinued.

A letter from Matthew Barnes one of the committee a part of which we propose to incorporate into this report, will show in detail the result of the efforts.

There has been advanced for the travelling and other expenses of the ministering friends who have attended these meetings the sum of \$21.55. There has been kindly donated by a friend, not a member of this month, viz. the sum of \$10.00. towards this object, thus leaving the amount to be refunded, so far as ascertained \$11.55. We have also caused the needed repairs on the house to be made, at a cost of \$160.86. as per statement herewith presented.

Which is respectfully submitted on behalf and by

direction of the committee

Geo. Howland Jr.

New Bedford 16th mo. 20th. 1884.

Nantucket - Nov 30. 1884

Dear friend

Geo. Howland Jr.

I received this last postcard, and this
could not see that any other conclusion could be come to
in regard to our meetings that they were to be
discontinued, I felt much regret that I could not report
that a few of us would continue them, yet as I can-
not report. I think the meetings did much good
they drew to them a number of persons who have in
times past been associated with or have mingled
with friends, and they still like to attend Friends
meetings, especially when ministering Friends would
be present, as I am frequently asked (after Friends
have been here) to notice them when any come and
I have taken pains when possible to give them individ-
ual notice. Again the meetings have been very acceptable
to many of our summer visitors, making some acquain-
ted with a Friends meeting for the first time, and
showing them we were neither of the
Spiritualist class, but believers in the old time doc-
trines of the New Testament. There seems to have been
as far as I can learn a strong preference for the
ministry of the Women friends, as the some expressed
themselves to me their very warm appreciation of the
friends who were here, and altho I cannot tell any
positive results, yet I believe that much quiet sym-
pathy and comfort remains behind.

Thine truly, William W. Arnold.

which has been read and is satisfactory to us, and
we concur with our Friends in accepting it.

An answer to the communication received
from the Bible School has been prepared and being
united with it is to be forwarded to the school.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude
to adjourn to Bay's clerk.

At New Bedford no. mtg. of Women Friends held
18th. Nov. 27, 1834. The Representatives from New Bedford
Preparative mtg. are Alice Tucker and Adeline S. Ayer,
from Long Plain Abbie Wood and Mary Hafford who
are all present.

The queries with answers to the first,
second, and tenth received from our several Prepara-
tive mtgs. have been read at this time and a summary
prepared therefrom, which we forward to the ensu-
ing quarterly mtg. next to be held in New Bedford by
our friends Sylvia C. Howland, Sarah J. Taber, Mary
Hafford, Rhoda Ann Trapp, Rebecca S. Howland and
Catherine D. Macomber whom we appoint our representatives

A removal certificate directed to Edinburgh
New Month's mtg. on behalf of Catherine Purser has been
read and approved in concurrence with our friends, and
the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the miss-
ion, in signing and forwarding it to that mtg.

Adelaide T. Miller and Susan T. Thompson
are appointed to unite with a similar committee of
three friends to visit Wm. H. and Charlotte C. Gardiner
on account of their request for membership for their
two minor children Lillian H. and Charles C. Gardiner
and report to a future mtg.

The certificates granted to our friends
Helen and Catherine D. Macomber in 6th month 1833 to
visit and labor within the limits of Territorial quarter-
ly mtg. were returned at this time, with a returning
minute from Territorial quarterly mtg. it is acceptable
to us.

The committee appointed to propose the names
of friends suitable to serve in the capacity of Elders
present their report, and we concur with our friends
in deferring further consideration of the subject for
another month.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude
to adjourn to Bay's clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 12 and 25th. 1884. The representatives from New
Bedford Preparative Mtg. are Ruth Allen and
Phoebe J Gifford from Long Plain Betsy G Wood
and Betsy B Luce who are present except one.

The representatives to the quarterly meeting
report that they were all in attendance.

Epistles from our dear sisters of London Yearly
Meeting also from our sisters of Baltimore Yearly Mtg.
have been acceptably read at this time.

The business of the meeting being finished we adjourn.

Mary C Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 1st. mo. 22. 1885. The representatives from New
Bedford Preparative Mtg. are Mary C Baylies and
Elizabeth Bailey from Long Plain Ruth Allen
and Sophronia Eggath who are present except one.

Our dear friend Phoebe B Shocum a
member of the meeting for Ministry and Oversight
informs us by letter, that she believes it right to
accompany Howard Allen in his proposed religious
visit to North Carolina. Her prospect is united with
and she is left at liberty to attend thereto. The clerk
is directed to unite with the clerk of the mens
meeting in furnishing her with a minute conformable
to the above.

An epistle from our dear sisters of Ohio
Yearly Mtg. has been read at this time.

The committee appointed to visit William
Gardiner and wife on account of their request that their
two minor children Lillian M and Charles C Gardiner
might be admitted into membership with us present
the following report viz We have made the visits
according to our appointment and believe the children
are desirous to serve the Lord Jesus Christ, and that
it would be a help and strength to them to be admitted
into membership with us.

Joshua L Macomber
Edw. G Dillingham
Adelaide W Whitbur
Susan J Thompson

New-Bedford
1st mo 20. 1885.

which is united with by this meeting in concurrence with
men friends, and they are therefore received as members
of our religious society. Adeline & Hester is appointed
to inform them of the judgment of the meeting.

A removal certificate addressed to Boston
Mtg. on behalf of Elmer E. Macomber has been read and
approved in concurrence with Men Friends and the clerk
is directed to unite with the clerk of the mens meeting
in signing and forwarding it.

The annual report of the auditors who have
examined the account of the Treasurer, also the account
of the several trust funds held by this mtg. has been
laid before us and a portion of it has been read.

We concur with men friends in the reappointment of
Abel H. Holmes as Treasurer of the me. mtg. for the
ensuing year. The report of the joint committee to
dispense the charitable fund of our friend Abraham
Sherman Jr. has been read and the same committee
reappointed to serve another year with the exception
of Lydia T. Howland and the addition of Elizabeth
W. Taber.

We are informed by our friends at Long Plain
that they ^{with the concurrence of the me. mtg. preparative} propose to hold their meetings in the follow-
ing order viz. at Long Plain in 1st, 5th and 7th months

" Acushnet 2^d, 6th and 10th "

" Fairhaven 3^d, 7th and 11th "

" Mattapoisett 4th, 8th and 12th "

with which proposition we unite in concurrence with
men friends.

The joint committee appointed to propose
a new list of friends to serve in the capacity of Elders
present the following viz.

To New Bedford Monthly Meetings

The joint committee appointed to propose to the me.
mtg. the names of friends to serve in the capacity of
Elders have given attention to the subject and would now
present the following friends for that service, Arnold
G. Triff, Isaac S. Triff, H. S. Taber &c.

Signed by direction of the Committee

New Bedford

Wm C. Taber

Nov 24. 1884.

Mary A. Smith

and we unite with Mrs. Friends in accepting the report.
The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Harriet Pugh's Clerk.

At New Bedford meeting on the 26th of March Friends
held June 26, 1885. The representatives from New Bedford
Preparative Mtg Alice Tucker and Hetty L. Houtland
from Long Plain Charlotte C Gardiner and Harriet W
Davis were present except one.

The Clerk being absent Susan M. Seabury is
appointed to that service for the day.

Adelaide & Wilbur reports that she has
informed Charlotte C Gardiner of the judgment of the
meeting in regard to the admission of Lillian M and
Charles C. Gardner as members of our religious society.

The following communication has been read
"Snow Camp N. C. 2nd Mo. 1885"

Our esteemed Friend, Phoebe B. Shocum companion to
H. and S. Wing in the course of a religious visit acceptably
attended this meeting with approved credentials from
New Bedford Me. Mtg. Mass. held 1mo. 22-1885. Taken
from the minutes of Western Quarterly Mtg. N. C. held
2nd Mo. 1885.

Mary L. Wing

The report from the Committee appointed in seventh
mo. 1884 to make collections for the Friends Mission
in Africa is as follows: "Have received 100 dollars
one hundred and twenty one dollars which has been paid
to Geo. Houtland Jr. Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting
Committee on that subject."

New Bedford N. H. 26th 1885

For the whole of the amount the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting
Collyer has received

We are informed to be the clerk of the Yearly Meeting
held at Glasgow N. H. acceptance of the report
of the committee on the subject of the mission to Africa.

The business of the meeting being finished we
conclude.

Yours with affectionate regards
The Committee

At New Bedford No. 24th. of Women Friends held on 26. 1885. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mty. are William C. Bayles and Anne C. Gifford, from Long Plain Esther L. Macomber and Sophronia Peggatt, who are present except one.

The queries have been read at this time with answers from our several Preparative mtgs. and a summary read and therefrom which we forward to the ensuing quarterly mtg. to our representatives who are Abbie Wood, Cynthia A. Kirby, Rhoda T. Gifford, Alice Tucker and Hamiel S. Davis.

The committee appointed to visit John and Sophronia Peggatt on account of their request for membership for their minor son John present their report, with which we unite in concurrence with Men Friends.

A statistical report showing the changes which has occurred in our mty. during the year ending June 1st, 1885, has been read.

Boston no. 2. mty. in town that they have accepted our removal certificate on behalf of Elmer C. Macomber.

The business of the mty. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford no. mty. of Women Friends held June 23. 1885. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mty. are Sylvia S. Howland and Esther S. Howland from Long Plain Charlotte Cowen and Helen B. Luce, who are present except two, for the absence of a sufficient reason is assigned.

The time for which the members of this mty. were appointed having expired Mary C. Baylies is reappointed to clerk and Susan M. Seabury for assistant clerk for the ensuing year, or until another appointment.

The representatives to the quarterly mty. other than permanent to appointment.

The time for which the members of this mty. were appointed having expired we appoint Theodor H. Howland, Abbie Wood, Esther S. Luce, Mary S. Howland,

Wm. H. Seabury, and Esther D. Macomber, to which a similar committee was formed to visit and see if men and women friends suitable to be appointed and report to a future mtg.

The following copy of a minute taken from the records of the quarterly mtg. in regard to the action of the committee to whom was referred the appeal of Sarah A. Holmes has been read viz.

"The quarterly meeting's committee to whom was referred the appeal of Mrs. S. A. Holmes present the following report viz. having attended to our appointment on account of the appeal of Sarah A. Holmes we are united in sustaining the judgment of New Bedford quarterly mtg. signed Adelaide Hafford, Elizabeth C. Phoebe Wade, Mary Abbie Swift, Mary E. Hafford. New Bedford Mass 2. 1885. "Which report, is received by this mtg. as our decision in the case."

We appoint Anna S. Wood, Sylvia S. Howland, Susan S. Thompson, Susan S. Hafford & to Miss Ada Hafford to unite with a similar committee of new friends to take the care of the mtg. at New Bedford.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford. Mrs. Mtg. of Women Friends held Jan 28th. 1885. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mtg. are Sarah R. Wing and Ruth L. Smith from Long Plain Mary Hafford and Mary Macomber who are all present.

The joint-committee to propose the names of friends to serve this mtg. as Overseers present the following viz. Geo. Howland Jr. John B. Baylies. Edw. J. Tucker. & Harvey Wilbur. Thomas S. Hafford. Arnold G. Tripp. Susan M. Seabury. Susan S. Thompson. Mary C. Baylies, Ruth L. Smith. Susan S. Tripp. Adelaide V. Wilbur, Sarah Cousins. and Mary Hafford, which being acceptable to this and the Men's mtg. they are appointed to that

services for the ensuing year. We also re-appoint as Overseers of the Poor the same friends that served last year with the addition of Ruth E. Smith.

By copies taken from the minutes of the several mtgs. we are informed that our dear friend Phoebe B. Shocum as companion to Hannah at King acceptably attended their viz. Centennial mtg. held at Center, Guilford Co. North Carolina.

Deep Creek m. mta. held at Deep Creek, N. C.
Westfield m. mty. N. C. Contentnea quarterly mtg. held at Wood Lawn Wayne Co. N. C. and Kouse m. mty. held at Bethany, which being read in joint-session is acceptable to us.

The following request is received for membership viz.

To New Bedford m. mty.
Dear friends

Having from my childhood been acquainted with Friends and the Lord having warmed my heart with His love and given me the Christians hope, I ~~feel~~ feel as though, if you think me worthy, I would like to become a member of your Society.

Phoebe A. Chase.

Sairhaven 5mo 19. 1885."

and Susan S. Triff, Abbie Wood, Rebecca S. Howland and Adelaide T. Wilbur are appointed to visit her on the account and report to a future mtg.

The following request for reinstatement is received

To New Bedford m. mty.

Dear Friends

Having in early life been a member of the religious Society of Friends, whose principles I still hold in high estimation, -- and now after long separation from you on account of marriage, I now be known my desire to be reinstated into membership if deemed worthy.

Hannah D. Bumpus
Mattapoisett 5mo 19th. 1885.

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and Ruth S. Murray and Azubah Cannon are appointed
to visit her on the account and report to a future mtg.

The business of the mtg. being finished we
conclude Henry B. Baylis.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends 6 pm 25th
1885. The representatives from New Bedford Prepa.
Mtg. are Adeline S. Lye and Alice Tucker from Long
Plain Ann A. Macomber and Phoebe W. Delano who are
all present. The queries have been read in
this mtg. with answers to the first, second and tenth,
received from our several Preparative mtgs. and a
summary prepared therefrom, which we forward to
the ensuing quarterly mtg. by our friends Azubah
Cannon, Phoebe W. Delano, Sarah B. Wing, and
Phoebe W. Delano whom we appoint our representatives.

The committee appointed to visit
Hannah D. Bumpus, presents the following report viz.

To the Monthly meeting.

According to appointment we have visited Hannah
Bumpus. We found that she had long been an
attender of our meetings and is acquainted with the
Discipline and principles of Friends. She desires
now in the evening of life, to find a home among
our portion of the Church militant, as she believes
she has been accepted as a member of the Church of
Christ. On behalf of the com.

Ruth S. Murray

Azubah Cannon

which has been accepted by this mtg. and we are
united in receiving her as a member of our religious
society, having the concurrence of seven Friends here.
We appoint Phoebe W. Delano to inform her of the judg-
ment of the mtg. in her case.

Our dear friend Mary Ann Potter our
elder attended this mtg. presenting a satisfactory
minute from Glens Falls mo. mtg. held at Glens Falls.
Her company and services are acceptable to us, and
the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the
Men's mtg. in furnishing her with a minute to this
effect.

Our dear friend Levi Wharfless, a minister, attended this meeting, presenting a satisfactory minute from Stuart. Mo. Mtg., endorsed by Bear Creek quarterly mtg., Dallas Co. Iowa. His company and Gospel services are truly acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to write with the clerk of the men's mtg. in furnishing him with a minute conformable to the above.

The business of the mtg being finished we conclude
M C Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford monthly mtg. of Women Friends held Jan 23. 1885. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mtg are Catharine Howland and Emma Le Labor, from Long Plain Esther D Macomber and Charlotte E Gardiner, who are present except two, for the absence of one a sufficient reason is assigned.

The representatives to the quarterly mtg. report that they were all in attendance.

We have received the following communication from Sandwich Quarterly mtg. viz.

To New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends

Dear Sisters: Sandwich Quarterly mtg. of Women Friends held at Salmouth Jan 6. 1885. directs that the following communication received from the Yearly Mtg. be forwarded to you, and you are requested to appoint committees to assist in raising the required funds and forward to the treasurers of the several committees:

Rebecca D Lower Clerk.

"To Sandwich Quarterly meeting."

At the Yearly meeting of Friends for New England held at Portland Maine in 6 mo 1885. This mtg has defined more clearly the discipline in reference to the membership of our

Meetings on Ministry and Oversight as will be found on printed slips furnished your clerk which are to be inserted in your books of Discipline under the heads of meetings on ministry and Oversight.

A minute of advice has also been printed and placed in the hands of the clerks of the Quarterly Mtgs.

Our monthly meetings are as heretofore requested to appoint committees to assist in raising the necessary additional funds to carry on the Mission work on Mt. Lebanon, Syria.

In the report of the committee on Western Indians was the request that the Treasury of the committee be replenished by effort to be made in all our Mo. Mtgs. which was approved by the Mtg. and our Quarterly Mtgs. are requested to take such action in relation to the above request as shall secure the desired results."

Signed on behalf of the meeting
 Wm G. Fawcett Clerk.

We reappoint the committee to solicit contributions to carry on the mission work on Mt. Lebanon who served the mtg in that capacity last year.

A committee consisting of Catharine Howland, Phoebe H. Delano, Esther D. Macomber, Harriet B. Davis, and Hetty B. Husland are appointed to solicit contributions to replenish the Treasury of the committee on Western Indians.

Phoebe H. Delano reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Hannah B. Bumpus.

We appoint Adeline S. Nye, Charlotte B. Cowen, Mary H. Wood, Elizabeth H. Murray and Helen H. Seabury to visit and read to our aged and invalid friends, such portions of the Epistles addressed to New England Yearly Meeting as may seem best adapted to their needs.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude. M. S. Baylies Clerk

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends
held 8 mo. 27th. 1885. The representatives
from New Bedford Preparative Mtg. are
Adeline S. Ege and Mary E. Kirby, from Long
Plain Susan S. Trapp and Betsey E. Luce who
are all present.

An interesting epistle from our sisters of
London Yearly Mtg. has been read at this time
The business of the mtg being finished
we conclude.

Mary E. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends
held 9 mo 24th. 1885. The representatives from
New Bedford Preparative Mtg. are Sarah B. Wing
and Whola Kelley, from Long Plain Harriet S.
Davis and Esther D. Macomber who are all
present.

The queries have been read in this mtg.
with answers to the 1st 2nd. and 10th. received
from our several Preparative Mtgs. and a
summary prepared therefrom which we
forward to the ensuing quarterly mtg. next
to be held in Sandwich, by our friends Abbie
Wood, Sarah J. Taber, Phoebe S. Delano, Sylvia
D. Weeks and Anna B. Wood whom we appoint
our representatives.

The committee appointed on account of
the request of Phoebe A. Chase present the
following report.

S. New Bedford Mo. Mtg.

The committee appointed on account of the request of Phoebe A. Chase have given attention to the case, and find that she has been called to her home in the State of Kansas whether she has gone to reside. We therefore ask to be released from further service.

On behalf of the Committee
Susan S. Tripp
Abbie Wood

Fairhaven June 23. 1885.

It is however thought desirable for the committee to communicate with her by letter, and report the result at a future mtg.

The committee having charge of the Highland Chapel present the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting

The com. having charge of the Highland Chapel would report that the building has been purchased by a young man in the neighborhood. He is desirous that it should be continued as a place for instruction, and work for the Lord, but is not able to bear the expense himself.

He will let the building to Friends to use as before, with fire and light, for 200 dollars for this year. The com. feel that they ought not to turn from this open door, and would ask the mas. mtg. if they would appropriate fifty dollars for the purpose this ensuing year. The com. providing for the rest. On behalf of Com. John B. Baylies
Ruth A. Murray.

which is united with and the appropriation granted in concurrence with New Friends

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

W. C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held 10 mo. 2d mo. 1885. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Adeline S. Nye and Sarah W. Wing from Long Plain Charlotte Cowen and Mary Hafford, who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly mtg. report that they were in attendance except one for whose absence a sufficient reason is assigned.

We concur with men friends in regard to the action taken in the following case.

"With the approbation of the parties concerned we record a minute at this time, withdrawing the consent given by us in 4th mo. 1880, to Benj. W. Glade to proceed in marriage with Maria A Peirce."

The following com. is appointed to unite with a similar com. of Men Friends to have charge of the Christian work in Howland Chapel viz Ruth S. Murray, Mary C Baylies Susan M. Stebbins, Anna G Wood, Ruth L. Smith, Susan S. Thompson, Susan S. Gripp and Sarah J. Faber.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. meeting of Women Friends held 11 mo. 26th 1885. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Ann B. Anthony and Ruth Wing from Long Plain Eliza B. Swift and Agnes C. who are present except two.

The queries with answers to the first, second and tenth, received from our ~~several~~ Preparative Meetings have been read at this time, and a sum. money proposed therefor which we refer to the Quarterly mtg. next to be held in New Bedford by our friends Rebecca S. Howland,

Rebecca H Smiley, Ann B Anthony and Anna E Wood,
whom we appoint our representatives.

The committee appointed to solicit contributions
to replenish the treasury of the committee on Western Indians
present the following report,

"The committee appointed to collect money in New
Bedford mas. meeting for the Indians would report that
they have collected \$29.50. Hetty E Howland

11th mo 26. '85.

Carthage Howland"

which is acceptable to us, and the clerk is left at
liberty to add such sums as may be further contributed
and forward to the chairman of the Indian committee.
The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford mas. mtg of Women Friends held 12 mo.
24th. 1885. The representatives from New Bedford Prop.
mtg. are Ruth Amy and Ruth L Smith from Long Hair
Charlotte Bowen and Charlotte E Gardiner, who are
present except two for whose absence a sufficient reason
is assigned.

The representatives to the quarterly meeting
report that they were all in attendance.

An interesting epistle from our dear
sisters of Brown Yearly Mtg. has been read at this time.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford mas. mtg. of Women Friends held 1st.
mo. 28th. 1886. The representatives from New Bedford
Prop. mtg. are Caroline D Howland and Elizabeth
Bailey, from Long Hair Susan S Triggs and Anne
H Howland, present except two.

Information is given that the sum of \$26.50
has been forwarded to the chairman of the committee
on Western Indians being the amount of contributions
from New Bedford mas. mtg. of Women Friends received
for that purpose.

The committee appointed to consult with Phoebe & Cora on account of her request for membership in this religious society present the following report:

"We have corresponded with Phoebe & Cora according to the request of the Mo. Mtg. and find that she has gone to reside in the State of Kansas.

She expressed a kind regard for Friends but in consequence of removal to her distant home, she feels willing to relinquish her request for membership in this monthly meeting. for the committee

Susan S. Triff

Fairhaven, Mass. 27. 1886.

Abbie Wood.

and are now released from further service. Adeline & Miller is appointed to inform ^{her} of the action of the meeting.

An extract from our dear sisters of Baltimore Yearly mtg. has been read at this time which was particularly interesting, and seeming to be a continuation of the exercise felt in the first meeting, in regard to the importance of consecration shown in the duties of every day life.

The annual report of the auditors who have examined the account of the Treasurer, also the account of the several trust funds held by this mtg. has been laid before us, and a portion of it read. We concur with our Friends in the reappointment of Alfred Whitcomb as Treasurer of the Mo. Mtg. for the ensuing year. The report of the joint committee to dispense the charitable fund of our friend Abigail Sherman Jr. has been read, and the same committee reappointed to serve another year.

We concur with the judgment of our Friends in granting a release from membership to James West.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Shave to Baylis Church.

At New Bedford monthly mtg of Women Friends held 2mo. 25th. 1886. The representatives from New Bedford Prep. mtg. are Adeline S. Nye and Hetty E. Howland from Long Plain Mary Hafford and Mary G. Macomber, who are all present. The work being about Susan M. Seabury is appointed clerk for the day.

The names of Adeline S. Nye, Esther B. Pierce and Hetty E. Howland are added to the committee appointed to solicit contributions for the Syrian Mission.

An interesting epistle from our sisters of New York Yearly mtg. has been read at this time.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Susan M. Seabury, clerk for the day.

At New Bedford monthly mtg. of Women Friends held 3d mo. 25th. 1886. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Ann R. Anthony and Henry H. Delano, from Long Plain Phoebe J. Delano and Adeline T. Wilbur who are present except me.

The queries have been read at this time with answers from our several preparative mtgs. and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing quarterly mtg. by our representatives who are Phoebe J. Howland, Rebecca J. Howland, Esther J. Howland Macomber and Ruth Almy.

An epistle from our sisters of North Carolina also one from our sisters of Indiana Yearly mtgs. have been acceptably read at this time.

A statistical report showing the changes which have occurred in our mo. mtg. from 3d mo. 1st. 1885 to 3d mo. 1st. 1886 has been read.

The committee appointed in 4th. mo. last to unite with a similar com. of men friends to take charge of the mtg. at Sandwich, are so appointed at this time.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Henry C. Baylis Clerk.

At the 1st of the monthly mtg. of Women Friends held
4th. mo. 22nd 1886. The representatives from New Bedford
Representative mtg. are Ann B. Latham, Susan Howland and
Elizabeth W. Howland from Town Plain. Esther B. Luce
and Mrs. Hafford, who are all present.

The time in which the officers of this mtg.
were appointed having expired, the same friends who
served last year in that capacity are reappointed
for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

The representatives to the quarterly mtg. re-
port that they were all in attendance.

The certificate granted to our dear friend
Phoebe B. Luce 1st. mo. 22nd. 1885 to accompany our
friend Hannah S. Howland on her religious visit to North
Carolina, is returned to us at this time, in a written
communication, also a copy taken from the minutes
of Nahumta mo. mtg. giving the information that she
acceptably attended that mtg.

The time for which the Overseers of this mtg. were
appointed having expired, we appoint Anna C. Ward,
Ruth Almy, Alice R. Howland, and Phoebe S. Luce to
unite with a similar com. of men friends to bring for-
ward names of men and women friends suitable to
perform that duty and report to a future mtg.

By request of the quarterly mtg. a committee
consisting of Mary C. Baylies, Adelaide S. Howland, Esther
D. Howland, Betsey B. Luce, and Mary Hafford are
appointed to unite with a similar com. of men friends
to take action in regard to the gift given and
ascertain if it is exceeding figures are well as a coverage
by members of our meeting.

The business of the mtg. being finished we adjourn.

Mary C. Baylies, Secy.

At New B. 1st of the monthly mtg. of Women Friends
held 5th. mo. 24th. 1886. The representatives from New
Bedford Representative mtg. are Adelaide S. Howland and
Betsey B. Luce from Town Plain. Mary C. Howland and
Susan Howland are all present.

an interesting and instructive epistle from our sisters of Western Yearly Mtg. has been read at this time.

We have committed to certain the names of those to serve this year, as Officers present the following Gen. Howland for John B. Baylies, Edward S. Tucker, M. Henry Willbur, Mrs. J. Hafford, Arnold G. Tripp, Joshua L. Macomber, Susan M. Howland, Susan S. Thompson, Mary C. Baylies, Ruth L. Smith, Susan S. Tripp, Adelaide T. Willbur, Elizabeth L. Howland and Anne Hafford which being acceptable to this and the year's Mtg. are appointed to that service for the ensuing year. We also ^{re}appoint as Officers of the year the same friends that served last year.

The business of the mtg. being finished we adjourn to meet our next from today.

Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford monthly mtg. held by adjournment
Nov 3rd. 1886.

The representatives from New Bedford mo. Mtg. are present except three.

We unite with Men Friends in furnishing a certificate to Thomas A. Tripp on account of his request for marriage with Lois E. Peabock of South Kingston monthly Mtg. and the clerk is directed to sign a certificate to that effect.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude

Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford monthly Mtg. of Women Friends held Nov. 24th. 1886. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mtg. are Ruth. May and Phoebe T. Howland from Long Plain Ann A. Macomber and Charlotte E. Gardner who are present except one.

The first, second, and tenth queries with answers received from our several Preparative Mtgs. have been read, and a summary prepared therefrom, which we forward to the ensuing year's Mtg. by our sister

Adeline S. Lye, Esther D. Macomber, Eloise Ada
Hafford, and Phoebe T. Howland.

Our beloved friend Wm. Thon has
minister of the Gospel with whom we have united, said
before a joint session of this mtg. a circumstance
had for a long time rested on his mind, to visit in
the love of the Gospel the Seaway mtgs. of New
Western, and Indiana, and if way should open up, it
to hold some meetings going and returning, which
after a time of serious consideration was fully and
freely united with. His wife Susan T. Thompson
an Elder in good esteem with us, informed this
mtg. that she felt it would be right for her to
accompany her husband on his proposed religious
visit as set forth in the above minute, which
was also fully united with, and they were commended
to the care and guidance of the Heavenly Shepherd,
and the all. is now directed to furnish them with
minutes embracing the substance of this.

Our dear friend Jonathan B. G. a minister
attended this mtg. presenting a satisfactory minute from
Morcan's monthly mtg. held at South Plains Falls, New York
also our dear friend John H. G. a minister pre-
sented a minute of unity from Linn's mtg. for the
mtg. held at East Parsonsfield, Maine, for his wife
Lydia A. Cartland who was unable to attend this
mtg. on account of illness. Their company and Gospel
services are truly acceptable to us and the all is directed
to unite with the all of the same relation in wish-
ing them with the minutes conformable to the same.

We have also with us today our dear friend Abigail
with her a member of the Seaway mtg. is committed
to pastoral work, whose labors of love have been most
acceptable to us.

The business of the mtg. being closed we conclude.

Thyrs. C. Baylies Clerk.

John B. A. Smith, Jr. from Hartford, Conn. 22nd 1886. The representatives were for the Preparative time at, as Elizabeth Bailey and Elizabeth H. Murray, from New Britain, and the women and Esther M. Allen, all present.

The representatives to the quarterly mtg. report that there were all in attendance.

The following request is received through the Preparative mtg. viz.

Ms. Mrs. Bedford sign the petition for a new

new friends

Being convinced of Friends principles and having a desire to become a member of your society, if found worthy, I present this request.

Elizabeth L. Francis

New Bedford Mo. 14th. 1886.

Anna G. Wood and Mary C. Baylies are appointed to visit her on the account and report to a future mtg.

The following interesting report has been sent

"The committee appointed to visit the aged and infirm in our mtg. report that they have attended to their appointment. They have made sixty five visits during the past year and were always kindly welcomed.

Have read some of the epistles, selections from Friends Journals, Francis Haverpelt's writings, and other appropriate books. If they have helped to cheer and comfort some of the lonely shut in ones, they will feel that their labor has not been in vain. Signed on behalf of the committee Adeline S. Nye.

The same committee is appointed with the addition of Harriet Davis, Betsey W. Luce, and Charlotte E. Luce.

We appoint Anna G. Wood, Esther W. Luce, and Mary C. Baylies to visit with a similar committee of new friends to revise the list of members of the meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

The business of the mtg. being finished, we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford monthly mtg. of Women Friends held 8th mo. 26th, 1886. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Ruth Allen and Adeline at Nye, from Long Plain Mary Hafford and Phebe S. Delano, who are all present.

The committee appointed last month to revise the list of members of the mtg. on Ministry has been able, other than ministers and Elders report the following: John B. Bartles, Leonard H. Tucker, Thomas H. H. Bond, George H. Bond, William H. Gardner, Benjamin H. Bond, Arthur H. Bond, Sarah E. Bond, John P. Bond, Susan H. Bond, Alice S. Bond, Mary C. Bartles, Esther D. Macomber, Mary H. Bond, Phebe S. Delano, Charlotte E. Gardner, and Septimius Bond. By direction and on behalf of the committee New Bedford Sec. Howard J. Bond 8mo 26th, 1886.

which is united with by this and the 's. s. mtg.

An interesting and instructive epistle from our sisters of London Yearly mtg. has been read.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude

Mary C. Baylies Secy.

At New Bedford monthly mtg. of Women Friends held 9th mo. 23rd, 1886. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Ruth Allen and Adeline at Nye, from Long Plain Harriet S. Davis and Esther D. Macomber, who are present except two.

The queries have been read in this mtg. with answers to the first, second and tenth received from our several Preparative mtgs, and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing quarterly mtg. next to be held in Hanover, by our friends Mary C. Macomber Adeline V. Wilbur, Mary C. Baylies, and Susan H. Bond, whom we appoint our representatives.

The committee appointed to visit Elizabeth S. Francis on account of her request for membership present the following report viz.

"At New Bedford monthly meeting,

The committee appointed to visit Elizabeth S. Francis

on account of her request to be admitted into membership - report that they have had an interview with her on the subject and believe her to be sincere in her requests. She has carefully sought to find her way among different religious denominations and believes that the Society of Friends is most in accordance with her views, and that she embraces their principles as far as she understands them.

We commend her case to the favorable consideration of Friends.

Anna G Wood

Am Bedford 8me. 26. 1886. Mary B. Silliman

which has been accepted by this mtg. and we are united in receiving her as a member of our religious society having the concurrence of members herein. We appoint Ebene B. Slocum to inform her of the judgment of this mtg in her case.

The interest which our sisters have taken in the case of this friend.

Our friends, William S. Slocum, Ebene B. Slocum, Mary B. Silliman, Maria White, Mary Hafford, Mary G. Macomber, Elizabeth B. Suber and Gudielma Eldridge are appointed to unite with a similar committee of our friends to determine the terms for the Syrian Mission and the Western Indians.

The joint committee having charge of the work at the Howard Chapel present the following report.

To the monthly mtg.

This com. having charge of Howard Chapel would report that during the past year the school has been sustained with great satisfaction. The parents of the children express their thankfulness for the efforts made for their children, and desire their continuance.

The com. would suggest that the work be continued and ask for an appropriation for that object if the next meeting unite with it.

Was held off of the committee John B. Silliman
26. 1886. Ruth Silliman.

The same com. is reappointed to serve the coming year.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude

Mary W. Silliman Clerk.

At New Bedford m. mtg. of Women Friends held
10 mo. 28th. 1886. The representatives from New Bedford
Representative mtg. are Cornelia A. Kirby and Alice
Tucker, from Long Plain Louisa R. Gerrish and
Eloise A. Hafford, who are present except two.

The contributions to the Quarterly are not very
well in attendance.

We are informed that Phoebe B. Shuman
attended to her appointment in the case of E. J. C.
and E. Francis.

Our friends Adeline S. Nye, Susan M. Hurler,
Elizabeth C. Murray, Adelaide V. Wilbur, Mary
Hafford, Mary G. Macomber and Gulistina Eldridge
are appointed to visit with a similar committee
of men Friends to solicit contributions for the Syrian
Mission.

A committee consisting of Helen H. Taber,
Elizabeth K. Taber, Mary S. Wood, Rebecca S. Howland,
E. H. Pierce, Polson B. Luce, and Sophronia Giggall
are appointed to solicit contributions to replenish
the Treasury of the committee on Western Indians.

Our dear friend Stephen Wardland, a
minister, attended this mtg. presenting a satisfac-
tory minute from Durham m. mtg. held in joint
session at South Durham, Maine. His company
and 7 of his members have been acceptable to us, and
the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the
mens mtg. in furnishing him with a minute conform-
able to the above.

The following minute has been read, and
it is directed to be placed on our records.

The following is a Minute of the Representative
Meeting of the Yearly mtg. of Friends for New England,
at a Special mtg. of that body, held in Boston, Mass.,
16 mo. 16th. 1886, viz:

The representative mtg. of the Yearly mtg.
of Friends for New England, recommends that our
members in this true and faithful loyalty to
the said Yearly mtg. and its injunctions are
specially related to the matter contained in

Minute No. 56 of the Minutes of 1885 which is as follows:

"We desire to protect our membership from all influences which are not in accordance with the clear testimony of our Religious Society and the teachings of the New Testament.

We believe in the Spiritual nature of Christ's Kingdom, and that all outward ceremonies have been fulfilled and ended in Christ. This mtg. records its judgment for the guidance of its Subordinate Meetings, that those holding or teaching a contrary doctrine cannot be received as acceptable Ministers of the Society of Friends, within its limits."

And the Representative Meeting authorizes and directs that Subordinate Meetings in said Yearly Meeting shall receive the Certificate or issue Returning Minutes for Ministers or others in cases in which no doubt exists as to the unity of such persons with said Yearly Meeting or its instructions. And it further authorizes and directs the clerks and correspondents of such Subordinate Meetings to withhold their signatures from such Minutes if issued or attempted to be issued.

The mtg. was brought under an earnest concern for the welfare of the Church in the present emergency. It was the desire of the Mtg. to uphold all that is good, while it testifies clearly against anything that would compromise either the doctrine or established position of the Society of Friends in regard to the so-called outward ordinances or other practices of false principles.

We therefore appoint Benjamin L. Knowles, Richard Batting, Isaac Adams, Hannah J. Bailey, E. M. W. Faggan, Timothy Hussey, Geo. Howland, Jr., Susan S. Thompson, Anna S. Wood, Lydia C. Neal, and Reuben J. Jones, - a Committee to extend Christian care over the Subordinate Mtgs. of our Yearly Meeting, and to advise and assist in preventing such Ministers & others not in unity as above mentioned, from being received or endorsed in Friends or Subordinate Meetings, contrary to the concern of this Meeting as recorded in the preceding Minute. "

Timothy B. Hussey

North Berwick, Me.,

Clerk

10th mo, 20th, 1886.

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He concurs with our friends in the discoment of
Joshua B. Brownman from our religious society.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude,
Mary C. Baighies Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held
11mo. 25th. 1886. The representatives from New Bedford
Preparative mtg. are Ann B. Anthony and Ruth May,
from Long Plain Abby Wood, and Mary G. Macomber
who being called are all present.

The clerk of this mtg. being absent Anna
G. Wood is appointed to that service for the day.

The queries with answers to the first, second,
and tenth received from our several Preparative
mtgs. have been read at this time and a summary
prepared therefrom, which we forward to the coming
Quarterly mtg. by our Friends Phoebe S. Howland,
Bathier D. Macomber, Susan L. Thompson and Phoebe S.
Delano whom we appoint our representatives.

Our beloved friends William and Susan L.
Thompson returned at this time the minutes granted
them by this mtg. last Sixth mo. They also presented
returning minutes from Iowa, Western, and Indiana
Yearly mtgs. and White Lick mo. mtg. Indiana, all
expressing that the visits of our friends had been accept-
able to them. These with the interesting accounts re-
ceived of their service has been satisfaction to us.

We are impressed at this time with the
feeling that much benefit would result by extend-
ing a warm welcome to those who attend our
mtg. particularly those who are not in membership
with us, we therefore appoint our friends Elizabeth
H. Taber, Sarah Howland, Abby Wood, Maria G.
Macomber, Harriet Davis and Bathier Pierce, to
attend to this service and report to this mtg. next
month. The business of the mtg. being finished we
conclude.

Anna G. Wood clerk for the day

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 12 mo.
23. 1886. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative
mtg. are Ruth Almy and Sylvia G. Howland, from Long
Plain Mary G. Macomber and Charlotte Cowen, who are
present yet to be.

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting
were all in attendance.

The committee appointed last month
for the purpose of welcoming strangers who come
among us report that some attention was been given
by them to that service, and the same committee
is reappointed for the month ensuing.

An epistle from our sisters at Jamaica
Quarterly mtg. has been read at this time.

A request from Joseph S. Rant to be
received as a member of our religious society is
united with in concurrence with Men Friends.

The committee appointed in 9th month
1884 to unite with a similar com. of Men Friends
for the purpose of bringing forward names of friends
whose ministry is approved, and of those suitable
to occupy the station of Elders in the mtg. are
reappointed for that service with the addition of
Susan H. Seabury and Esther D. Macomber.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary L. Bartles. Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held
1st mo. 27th. 1887. The representatives from
New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Adeline S. Nye and
Ann R. Anthony, from Long Plain Alice R. Howland
and Harriet S. Davis who are present except two.

Our dear friend Thomas B. Nichols a
minister, attended this mtg. presenting a satisfactory
minute from Vassalboro mo. mtg. His company and
services have been acceptable to us, and the church is
directed to unite with the clerk of the next mtg.
in furnishing him ^{with} a minute to this effect.

The committee to report have come to the report that they have given attention to their appointment and Alice Tackew, Elizabeth C. Murray, Alice R. Howland, Mary S. Wood, Charlotte Gardiner and Mary G. Macomber are appointed for that service the coming month.

The annual report of the auditors who have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, also the several trust-funds held by this mtg. has been read before us, and a portion of it read. We concur with our Friends in the reappointment of Albert H. Holmes as Treasurer of the ms. mtg. the ensuing year.

The report of the joint com. to disburse the charitable fund of our friend Abraham Sherman Jr. has been read and the same com. reappointed to serve another year. The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies. Clerk.

At New Bedford ms. mtg. of Women Friends held 2nd. mo. 21st. 1887. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mts. are Sarah R. King and Mary Ann May, from Long Plain Eloise A. Hafford and Charlotte E. Gardiner, present except three.

A communication has been read from Harriet L. Bacon requesting a certificate of dismissal from this religious society, in order to unite with another body of Christians, she being a far distant from any mtg. of Friends. Ruth S. Hummel and Anna G. Wood are appointed to prepare such a certificate and present to our next meeting.

An epistle from our sisters of Nova Scotia meeting has been read at this time.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies. Clerk.

At New Bedford mss. mtg. of Women Friends held 3 and 24th. 1887. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Elizabeth L. Francis and Adeline D. Lee, from Long Plain Mary B. Macomber and Alice R. Howland, who are present except one, for the absence of whom a sufficient reason is assigned.

The com. appointed to prepare a certificate of release from membership in our religious society on behalf of Harriet L. Bacon present the following viz.,

"Harriet L. Bacon a member of our religious society being at a distance from any meeting of Friends requests to be released from membership with us.

The com. say on her behalf that she is a sensible, well esteemed among us for her discreet Christian walk, and we regret she can no longer be associated with us." which is united with by this and the men's mtg.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers from our several Preparative mtgs. and a summary prepared therefrom, which we forward to the ensuing Yearly Mtg. by our representatives Anna G. Wood, Mary S. Wood, Alice R. Howland, Susan M. Seabury, and Harriet L. Davis.

A removal certificate addressed to New York mss. mtg. on behalf of Isaac Hurland and another addressed to Boston mss. mtg. on behalf of Esther B. Hurland have been read and approved in concurrence with our friends, and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the Men's mtg. in signing and forwarding the same.

The com. having in charge the meeting at Nantucket are reappointed with the addition of Esther D. Macomber.

The com. appointed to solicit contributions in aid of the Syrian Mission present the following report viz.,

To New Bedford mss. meeting

Dear Friends. The committee appointed to collect funds in aid of the Syrian Mission report they have attended to that duty and send by today's mail the sum of forty two dollars to Friends W. H. Hurland, Secs. some being the

amount of the committee's collections.

On behalf of the committee

Thomas A. Tripp

Mar. 21, 1887.

Delia H. Nye.

which is acceptable to us.

The com. appointed for the same object on behalf of the Western Indians present the following.

"To the Monthly Meeting

The joint committee appointed to solicit contributions for the use of the Mission among the Western Indians report that they have received \$42 from friends and have forwarded the same to Anthony M. Kimball Treasurer of the Yearly Mtgs. Com. on Western Indians.

\$26 of the above was collected by Women Friends.

On behalf of the committee

Mar. 26, 1887.

John B. Baylis.

which is satisfactory.

Our beloved friends Wm. Thompson, a minister, and his wife Susan S. Thompson, an Elder, said before a joint session of this mtg. a concern which had for several years rested on their minds, to visit in the name of the Gospel, the Yearly mtgs. of the W. C. T. U. and the several mtgs. constituting the same, the mtgs. of Friends on the continent of Europe, also the mission work of Friends, and others, in Africa, and to perform such other service as may be required. After a time of prayerful consideration their prospect was fully united with, and they were liberated for the performance of this arduous undertaking. Susan S. Tripp and Anna C. Wood are appointed to write with a similar committee of men friends to assist the clerks in preparing a certificate conformable to the above, and present to an adjourned session of this mtg. one week from this date.

We are invited in joint session in the following way.

1st This monthly mtg. requests the next Quarterly mtg. to obtain from the Yearly Mtg. a more precise statement of what the duties of Elders specifically are: 2nd. And to request the Yearly mtg. to instruct Elders and others, members of the preparative mtgs.

Ministry and Oversight, now under appointment, or who may be hereafter so appointed, that their duties shall include an active pastoral care over all the members and those attending our mtgs. for worship in their respective Monthly meetings.

3rd. And in order to obtain a more complete performance of these important duties that a Query be read and answered at least once a year in all mtgs. on Ministry and Oversight, viz.:

Has the active pastoral care of all our members, and especially of persons attending our mtgs. for worship, had our loving and earnest attention to the upbuilding of the Church of Christ among us?

The Answers to this query to be definite and sensible, and to be forwarded annually from the Preparative mtgs. on Ministry and Oversight through our Monthly and Quarterly mtgs. to the Yearly meeting.

The business of the mtg. being finished we adjourn for one week.

Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg held by adjournment 3mo. 1st. 1887. The representatives from New Bedford Mo. Mtg. were not present.

The joint-committee appointed last week to assist the Clerks to prepare a suitable certificate embodying the concerns of our dear friends Mary and Susan J. Thompson, have presented a certificate which has been read and approved in joint-session.

It has been signed in this mtg. by the Clerk and correspondent, and is to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly mtg.

The business of this mtg. being finished, do conclude.

Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held 4mo. 28th. 1887. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Ruth Henry, and Agatha A Kirby from Long Plain Charlotte C. Gardner and Mary Hafford who are present except me.

The time for which the clerks of this mtg. were appointed having expired Mary L Baylies is reappointed to serve as clerk, and Susan M. Seabury as assistant clerk for the ensuing year, or until another appointment.

The representatives to the Quarterly mtg. were all in attendance.

The following request is received through Long Plain Preparative mtg. viz.

"To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Having for a number of years been convinced of friends principles and feeling a desire to be united with friends I hereby make this request for membership if found worthy.

Mattapoisett 4 ms 19. 1887. Christina R Cowen."

Susan S Triff and Anna G Wood are appointed to visit her on the account and report to a future mtg.

The following request is received from Isabella S Perry. viz.

"To the New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Feeling a sincere desire that my two minor children Lewis H. and Grace B. Perry may come under the care and influence of friends Request that they become members of our religious society.

Fairhaven 4 ms. 28th. 1887. Isabella S. Perry."

which is united with in concurrence with our friends and Esther D. Macomber, and Susan S. Thompson are appointed to unite with a similar committee of our friends to visit her on the account and report to a future meeting.

A personal certificate from South Kingstown ms. mtg. held at Peace Dale R. I. on behalf of Lois B Triff has been read and accepted in concurrence with our friends and Ruth S. Murray is appointed to call on her and inform her of its reception.

Our beloved friend Ruth S. Murray, a minister with whom we have unity informed this mtg. that she has a prospect of attending New York Yearly meeting which being cordially united with, in concurrence with our friends the clerks are directed to furnish her with a minute

conformable to the above.

The times for which the Overseers of this mtg. were appointed having expired Anna & Ward, Esther D. Hucomber, Sophronia Gygatt and Ruth Hony are appointed to visit with a similar committee of Men Friends to bring forward names of men and Women Friends suitable to perform the duty and report to a future meeting.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. meeting of Women Friends held 5mo. 26th 1887. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative ch. are Ann B. Anthony and Elizabeth G. Murray, from Long Plain Ann A. Hucomber and Adelaide V. Wilbur who are present except two for the absence of one a sufficient reason is assigned.

A request is received through Long Plain Preparative mtg. viz.

"To New Bedford mo. meeting of Friends

Dear Friends

Having known the grace of God in the new birth in years past, and having from my child hood been acquainted with Friends, but have not always been favored to live where I could attend their meetings, I feel now that I would like to request for myself and my minor son, Maurice C. Howland, to become members of your Society if found worthy.

Hannah A. Howland "

Fairhaven - 5mo. 17, 1887.

which has been read and united with in concurrence with men Friends, and Rebecca at the land and Adelaide V. Wilbur are appointed to visit her on the account and report to a future mtg.

The committee appointed to visit Isabella & Perry on account of her request for her minor children Lewis H. and Grace B. presents the following viz.

To New Bedford mss. Meeting
Dear Friends

The committee appointed to visit
Isabel S. Perry in account of her request for her minor
children Lewis H. and Grace B. have attended to their
appointment and are satisfied that the motive that
prompted the request was a concern for the highest
welfare of the children. We would therefore recommend
that they be received as members of our religious
society. On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford 5mo 26. 1887.

Mrs P. Macomber
Catherine E. Macomber "

which has been accepted in concurrence with our
Friends and we are united in receiving them as mem-
bers of our religious society. We appoint Mary A. Wood
to inform her of the action of this mtg.

The committee appointed to visit Christina
R. Gowan present the following viz.

"To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends.

According to our appointment, we visited
Christina Gowan on account of her request to be
admitted into membership with our Religious
Society. She appeared well informed of our princi-
ples, and had embraced them as her own. She has
also had a good religious experience, and can testi-
fy of the power of the Savior to help and save.
We believe her to be sincere in her request, and that
it would be safe to receive her as a member of
our branch of the Church of Christ.

Signed by the Committee

Susan V. Trip

5th mo. 24th.

Anna C. Herd "

which has been accepted by this mtg. and we are
united in receiving her as a member of our religious
society, having the concurrence of our Friends herein.
We appoint Azubah Wannon to inform her of the
judgment of the mtg. in her case.

The business of this mtg. being finished we conclude

Martha B. Raper Secy. &c., &c.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held on
23rd. 1887. The representatives from New Bedford Unitarian
Church are Emma S. Fisher and Susan M. Huntington.
Long Plain Azubah Cannon and Charlotte E. Gardiner
who are all present.

Mary S. Wood informs that she has attended
to her appointment in the case of Isabella L. Pinn.

Azubah Cannon has also attended to her
appointment in the case of Christina B. Cowen.

We have with us today our dear friend Mary
Jane Weaver from Elba mo. mtg. New York, whose
ministry among us has been truly acceptable.

Our dear friend Ezra G. Pierson a minister,
attended this mtg. presenting a satisfactory minute
from Walnut Ridge mo. mtg. held in Rush Co. Indiana.

His company and services have been acceptable to us
and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the
Men's mtg. in furnishing him with a minute conformable
to the above.

The committee appointed in the 1st. month
to propose the names of Friends suitable to perform the
duty of Overseers for the ensuing year present the follow-
ing viz

"To New Bedford monthly meeting.

The committee appointed last month to propose the names
of Friends for Overseers for the ensuing year would report
that they have been together and would propose the follow-
ing. Edw. J. Tucker.

Geo. Howard Jr.

John B. Baylies.

Arnold G. Tripp.

N. Thwing Wilbur.

Thos. J. Haffords.

Joshua L. Macomber

Ruth L. Smith.

Susan M. Heabury.

Mary C. Baylies.

Susan J. Thompson.

Susan W. Tripp.

Adelaide J. Wilbur.

Mary Haffords.

Azubah Cannon

for the committee.

Gideon Word.

Ruth Almy.

5th mo. 25th. 1887.

which are acceptable to this meeting.

The certificate granted our dear friend Ruth
S. Murray in 4th month last to attend New York
Yearly Mtg. is returned at this time, with a returning

minute from New York Yearly mtg.

The first, second and fourth queries with answers received from our several Preparative mtgs. have been read, and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly mtg. by our friends Ruth L. Smith, Mary C. Baylies, Ruth L. Murray, Adelaide T. Wilbur and Charlotte Bowen whom we appoint our representatives.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held Nov. 28th. 1887. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Ruth L. Smith and Sarah H. Taber of Long Plain Mary S. Wood and Sophronia Perry all who are present except one for the absence of whom a sufficient reason is assigned.

The representatives to the quarterly mtg. report that they were all in attendance.

The following communication from the Yearly meeting has been read and is directed to be entered upon our records.

"From the Yearly Meeting for New England held at Portland Maine in the sixth month 1887.

"To Sandwich Quarterly Meeting.

Our several Monthly Meetings are hereby requested to appoint Committees to assist in raising the necessary additional funds for the use of the Committee on Foreign Missions, also for the use of the Indian Committee, and direct that the same be placed in the hands of those Committees respectively."

"The clause in the First Lesson in relation to "unbecoming behavior" is directed to be stricter. out of said Lessons."

"The four following questions are hereafter to be answered annually to this Meeting, viz.

- First, How many children between the ages of 4 and 21?
- Second " " " " " 12 " 21?
- Third " " " are attending school?
- Fourth " " Taught by or under the control of Friends?

The committee appointed to visit Hannah A Howland on account of her request for membership for herself and her minor son Maurice C. Howland present the following viz

"The committee appointed in the Feb. mtg. to visit Hannah A Howland on account of her request for herself and her minor son Maurice C. Howland & to become members of our religious society, report, they have attended to their appointment and found her a loving, trusting Christian. She believes in our testimony & the immediate teaching of the Holy Spirit in the soul of the believer, to the right which lighteth every man that cometh into the world, to the non-necessity of outward ^{rites} forms in religion, to the freedom of the Gospel ministry, to the sole Headship of Christ in His church, to the spiritual equality of the sexes, to the unlawfulness of war, of oaths, and to the duty of simplicity of manners and life to the Christian.

Rebecca J Howland
Adelaide & Wilbur Wm P. Macomber.

which has been accepted by this mtg. and we are united in receiving them as members of our religious society having the concurrence of our Friends herein.

A letter of dismission from the First Presbyterian Church of Highland New Jersey on her behalf was received stating that she had been a member in good standing among them.

We appoint Esther L Macomber to inform them of the judgment of this mtg. in their case.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude

Mary K. Baylies Clerk.

The New Bedford Monthly Mtg. of Women Friends held ymo. 22nd 1857. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mtg. are Deborah Howland and Ruth L. Smith from Long Plain Phebe S Delano and Sophronia Peggatt, who are present except one.

The first, second and tenth queries with answers received from our several Prep. mtgs. have been read, and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing quarterly mtg. by our friends Susan S Triff, Mary S Ford,

Harriet Davis and Deborah Howland whom we appoint our representatives.

The following request is received, viz. "To the monthly meeting. Having attended Friends meeting for some time, and being convinced of Friends principles, I make this request for membership with you, if found worthy."

Mattapoisett

Laure Westgate.

9mo. 13, 1887

We appoint Esther L. Macomber and Adelaide T. Wilbur to visit her on the account and report to a future mtg.

Esther L. Macomber reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Hannah A. Howland.

Our friends Susan M. Steabury and Esther L. Macomber are appointed to unite with a similar committee of men Friends to prepare a removal certificate addressed to Boston mo. mtg. on behalf of Thos. J. Taylor and his wife Lydia B. Taylor.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Bayliss Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 10th. mo. 27th. 1887. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Ruth Abney and Adeline V. Taylor from Long Plain Susan S. Priddy and Adelaide T. Wilbur who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly mtg. report that they were all in attendance.

A removal certificate addressed to Boston mo. mtg. on behalf of Thomas J. Taylor and his wife Lydia B. Taylor has been read and approved in concurrence with men Friends and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the men's mtg. in signing and forwarding the same.

We have listened with interest to the reading of an epistle from our sisters of London Yearly Meeting.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Bayliss Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 11th. mo 21, th. 1887. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Sarah E. Wright and Ann B. Anthony, from Long Plain Abby Wood and Ann A. Macomber who are all present.

The Queries with answers to the first, second and tenth received from our several Prep. mtgs. have been read at this time, and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly mtg. by our friends (Phebe J. Howland, Sarah E. Wright, Adelaide V. Wilbur and Mary S. Wood, whom we appoint our representatives.

Our dear friend John Eastland, a minister, attended this mtg. presenting a satisfactory minute from Windham mo. mtg. held at Windham, Maine. His company and services have been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the men's mtg. in furnishing him with a minute to this effect.

The committee appointed to visit Laura A. Westgate on account of her request for membership present the following report viz.

"To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

Dear Friends

We have had an opportunity with Laura A. Westgate and believe her to be prepared to become a member of our religious society.

Esther D. Macomber

Adelaide V. Wilbur "

which has been accepted by this mtg. and we are united in receiving her as a member of our religious society, having the concurrence of men friends herein. We appoint Abby Wood to inform her of the judgment of this mtg. in her case.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylis. Clerk.

At New Bedford Mrs. mtg. of Women Friends held 18 mo. 22nd, 1887. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Ruth King and Emma C. Taber. from Long Plain Mary Hafford and Charlotte E. Gardner, who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly mtg. were all in attendance.

Abby Wood gives the information that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Laura Westgate. A letter of dismission from the Methodist Episcopal church of Warren has been read stating that Laura Westgate has been an acceptable member of that society, and the clerks are directed to forward the information to them of our reception to us.

An epistle from our sisters at Dublin Yearly mtg. has been acceptably read at this time.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylis. Clerk.

At New Bedford Mrs. mtg. of Women Friends held 1st mo. 26th 1888. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Deborah Howland and Emma C. Taber from Long Plain Harriet A. Davis and Mary C. Hasambier who are present except one.

The clerk being absent Susan M. Seabury is appointed clerk and Adelaide T. Wilbur assistant for the day.

The annual report of the auditors who have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, also the several trust funds held by this mtg. has been read. We concur with our Friends in the reappointment of Albert W. Holmes as Treasurer of the m. m. m. The report of the joint com. to dispense the charitable fund of our friend Abraham Shearnan Jr. has also been read, and the same committee reappointed to serve another year.

Our esteemed friend, Jessie W. Wilmore a minister, attended this mtg. presenting a satisfactory minute from Reading m. m. m. endorsed by Cottonwood Quarterly Mtg. Lyon Co. Kansas. His

company and services have been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the men's mtg. in furnishing him with a minute to this effect.

The following report was read viz. and accepted
To the Monthly meeting

The com. on Highland Chapel would report that the school has been continued during the year with success. The interest is maintained and we believe a good work is being done there for the Lord.

They would ask an appropriation of \$25 to continue the work. On behalf of the com.

John B. Baylis

Ruth S. Murray.

The money asked for has been appropriated and the same com. reappointed to unite with a similar com. of men friends.

Our friends Adelaide V. Wilbur, Alice Lector and Adeline S. Age are appointed to solicit contributions in aid of the Foreign Mission work.

The committee appointed to collect money for the Western Indians consists of Deborah Howland Anna G. Wood and Mary G. Macomber.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.
Susan M. Seabury Clerk for the day.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 2 mo. 23. 1888. The representatives from New Bedford Presb. mtg. are Susan M. Seabury and Ruth Adney from Long Plain Lois B. Tripp and Mary Hafford who are all present.

Our dear friend Charlotte D. Holmes of Providence whose certificate was read in our Quarterly mtg. is with us at this time.

A certificate on behalf of Ruth B. Potter and her minor daughter Anna B. Potter is received from Poughkeepsie mo. mtg. and Anna G. Wood and Rachel S. Howland are appointed to visit her on the account and report at a future mtg.

Our dear friend Silas H. Cartland a minister attended this meeting presenting a satisfactory minute from Linnings mens. mtg. held at East Passonsfield Maine, also our dear friend John B Cartland with a satisfactory minute from Sandwich mens. mtg. New Hampshire. Their company and services have been acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the mens mtg. in furnishing them with minutes to this effect.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C Baylis Clerk.

At New Bedford mens. mtg. of Women Friends held 3 mo 22nd. 1888. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Sarah E. Wright and Deborah Howland, from Long Plain Mary S Wood and Mary G. Macomber, who are all present.

The committee in the case of Sarah E. Potter report that she does not reside within the limits of this monthly mtg. and the clerk is directed to return the certificate with this information.

The queries have been read at this time with answers from our several Preparative meetings and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly mtg. by our representatives Adelaide H. Wilbur, Sarah E. Cartland, Esther D. Macomber, Adeline H. Lye and Susan M. Seabury.

The committee appointed to make a collection in aid of the Western Indians present the following viz.

To the mens. mtg. of Women Friends.

The committee appointed to make a collection in aid of the Western Indians, under the care of our Yearly Meeting have obtained the sum of 12.70¹⁰⁰ dollars which they herewith present.

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford.

Deborah Howland

3 mo 22-88.

Our dear friend Charles W. Goddard, a minister, attended this mtg. presenting a satisfactory minute from Durham M. M. M. held in joint-session at Durham, Maine. His company and services have been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed, to unite with the clerk of the men's mtg. in furnishing him with a minute to this effect.

An epistle from New York Society mtg. has been read at this time.

The following report has been read.
 " To New Bedford monthly meeting.

Your committee appointed to have the oversight of the meeting at Nantucket would report, that during the past year meetings have been held on the first day of the week. These gatherings have taken place at a private house, and have been composed of five or six individuals, except on three or four occasions during the warm weather, when the meeting house was opened, and a company of thirty five or forty assembled. At these times members of the committee from New Bedford were present. One appointed mtg. has also been held at the meeting house. The committee are informed that these meetings have been held to the encouragement and satisfaction of the handful of friends who remain on the Island.

On behalf of the committee

Cideon Wood	William Thompson
Edward C Dillingham.	Anna G Wood
	Susan S Tripp "

New Bedford, 3mo. 15. 1888.

and Susan M Seabury, Mary C Baylis, Anna G Wood, Esther D Macomber and Susan S Tripp are appointed to unite with a similar com. of men friends to serve the ensuing year.

The subject of appointing a committee to visit those of our members, who seldom if ever attend our meetings for worship, who reside within our limits, and to extend such care as may be needed to those beyond our limits either by visiting, or corresponding with them, or recommending them by certificate to other mtgs. has occupied our attention, and we

appoint Ruth Abney, Anna G Wood, Adelaide Y Wilbur, Esther D. Macomber and Mary Hafford to unite with a similar committee of our Friends in this service, and they are at liberty to hold meetings for worship within our limits if way open therefor.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
 Mary C Baylis Clerk.

At New Bedford, Mass. Mtg. of Women Friends held 4th. mo. 26th. 1888. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mtg. are Mary C Baylis and Elizabeth C. Murray, from Long Plain Alice R Howland and Betsey B Luce who are present except one.

The time for which the clerks of this mtg. were appointed having expired Mary C. Baylis is reappointed to serve as clerk and Susan M. Sealum as assistant clerk for the ensuing year or until next appointment.

The representatives to the Quarterly Mtg. were present except one.

Our dear friend Charlotte D Holmes, a minister, attended this mtg. presenting a satisfactory minute from Providence M. Mtg. Her company and services have been acceptable to us and the Clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the Men's mtg. in furnishing her with a minute to this effect.

The time for which the Overseers of this mtg. were appointed having expired Esther G. Macomber, Alice R Howland, Charlotte L Gardiner and Rachel S. Howland are appointed to unite with a similar committee of our Friends to bring forward names of men and women Friends suitable to perform the duty and report in a future meeting.

The following resignation of membership is received, but action upon it was deferred until next month.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting,

I hereby resign my membership, having long felt it was right for me to do so, on account of the unjust and unchristian treatment of my health.

I desire that a committee be appointed, so my mind is fully made up.

Lydia Le Baron Holmes.

Jan 28th, 1887.

The business of this meeting being finished we conclude

Mary C. Baylies Clerk,

At New Bedford ms. mtg of Women Friends held Jan 21, th. 1888. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Deborah Howland and Anna G. Wood, from Long Plain Mary Hafford and Adelaide T. Wilbur who are all present.

A request to be released from membership with this mtg. was received last month from Lydia Le Baron Holmes, but action upon it was deferred. It is now thought best that it be again deferred for further consideration.

The joint committee appointed last month to propose Friends for Overseers for the ms. mtg. for the coming year recommend that the following be appointed viz. Edward T. Tucker George Howland John B. Baylies, Arnold G. Tripp, N. Hervey Wilbur, Thos. T. Hafford, Joshua L. Macomber, Ruth L. Smith, Susan M. Seabury, Mary C. Baylies, Lyathia Kirby Susas S. Tripp, Adelaide T. Wilbur Mary Hafford Azubah Cannon, which are acceptable to this mtg.

The following report was read viz.

"To the monthly meeting,

The committee appointed to visit those of our members who reside within our limits who seldom attend our meetings, and to extend such care to those beyond our limits as may be needed are united in recommending that removal certificates be sent for the following persons to the monthly meetings where they reside viz.

- Benjamin R. Atkin to Swansea ms. meeting.
- Rebecca Davis to Westport ms. meeting.

Isaac Kelley to Dartmouth mo. meeting

Thomas & Smith and wife Phoebe A. to Dartmouth monthly meeting

Anna E Underhill to New York mo. meeting

They also inform that Ezra Lifford requests his name to be dropped from our records as he has joined another religious society in Olneyville R. I.,

also that Henry B Atkin has joined another religious society in Fall River.

Respectfully submitted in behalf and by direction of the committee

Josiah Holmes Jr. Clerk.

which has been united with and Elizabeth Wright and Phoebe Howland are appointed to prepare a removal certificate addressed to Westport mo. mtg. on behalf of Rebecca Davis. Abbie Wood and Sarah B Wing are appointed to unite with a similar committee of men Friends to prepare a certificate of removal addressed to Dartmouth mo. mtg. on behalf of Phoebe A Smith wife of Thomas & Smith.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Mary C Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 6 mo. 28th. 1888. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Mary C. Baylies, and Adeline W Age, from Long Plain Susan S Tripp and Rebecca W Howland who are present except one.

A removal certificate addressed to Westport mo. mtg. on behalf of Rebecca Davis, a removal certificate addressed to Dartmouth mo. mtg. on behalf of Isaac Kelley also a removal certificate addressed to Swansea mo. mtg. on behalf of Benjamin R Atkin have been read and approved in concurrence with men Friends and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the men's mtg. in signing and forwarding the same.

The queries with answers to the first, second and tenth, received from our several Prope.

meetings have been read at this time and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly mtg. by our friends Ruth L. Smith, Sarah E. Wright, Mary A. Wood, Esther D. Macomber and Charlotte Bowen whom we appoint our representatives.

Our dear friends Zachary H. Powell a minister, and Mary H. Powell his wife attended this meeting presenting satisfactory minutes from Cottonwood Monthly mtg. held at Emporia, Lyon Co. endorsed by Cottonwood Quarterly mtg. held at Barclay Page Co. Kansas, also our dear friend Peace Jones a minister presenting a satisfactory minute from China. ms. mtg. held at South China, Maine. Their company and gospel labors have been acceptable, and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the mens mtg. in furnishing them with minutes to this effect.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.
Mary L. Bayless Clerk.

At New Bedford ms. mtg. of Women Friends held June 26th. 1888. The representatives from New Bedford Prepu mtg. are Elizabeth Bailey and Alice Tucker from Long Plain Mary Hafford and Eliza B. Swift, who are present except two, for the absence of one a sufficient reason is assigned.

The representatives to the Quarterly mtg. report that they were in attendance except one.

Our dear friend Richard H. Thomas, a minister, attended this mtg. presenting a satisfactory minute from Baltimore ms. mtg. for the Eastern and Western Districts. His company and gospel labors have been very acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the mens mtg. in furnishing him with a minute to this effect. Anna Braithwaite Thomas wife of Richard H. Thomas is also acceptably with us at this time.

The following satisfactory report has been read
"The committee appointed to visit the aged and

inform report that they have made twenty five visits - have read as opportunity offered and always been kindly received. They have not made as many visits as usual, as during the past winter the young people have taken up this loving service, and it was thought best to leave it with them. Signed on behalf of the committee
Adeline S. Nye. "

the same committee is reappointed for that service for the ensuing year.

The resignation received from Lydia Le Baron Holmes is accepted by us in concurrence with men friends and although the accusations contained therein are not considered just, she is released from membership with this religious society. The clerk is directed to inform her of the decision of this meeting.

A communication from Westport m. mty. informs that the certificate from this mty. on behalf of Rebecca W. Davis is received and accepted by them.

Our friends Anna G. Wood, Rachel S. Howland Susan S. Tripp, Mary Hafford Susan M. Seabury and Mary Smith are appointed to unite with a similar committee of men friends in revising the list of associate members of the mty. on ministering and Oversight and report at our next mty.

The business of the mty. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies Clark,

At New Bedford Mo. mty. of Women Friends held 8th mo. 23rd. 1888. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mty. are Ruth L. Smith and Rhoda L. Gifford, from Long Plain Esther D. Spencer and Adelaide F. Wilbur who are all present.

An interesting epistle from our sisters of London Yearly mty. has been read at this time.

"The joint committee appointed last month to revise the list of associate members of the

meeting on minister, and Oversight present the following viz John B. Baylies, Edward T. Tucker, Thomas S. Hafford, George B. Wood, Wm. H. Gardner, Benjamin H. Kirby, Joshua S. Macomber, Sarah L. Carthland, Phoebe B. Hlocum, Susan M. Seabury Adelside, & Wilbur Mary C. Baylies, Esther D. Macomber, Mary Hafford, Phoebe S. Delano, Charlotte E. Gardiner, Sophronia Degatt, Adeline S. Nye, Ruth Almy, and Sarah E. Wright.

On behalf of the committee

Josiah Holmes Jr.

New Bedford Dec. 25. 1888. Anna G. Wood.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held June 27th. 1888. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Alice Tucker and Cynthia A Kirby, from Long Plain Harriet S. Davis and Ann A. Macomber, who are present except one.

The queries with answers to the first second and tenth received from our several Preparative mtgs. have been read at this time and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly mtg. by our friends Abby Wood, Charlotte E. Gardiner, Alice Tucker and Deborah Howland whom we appoint representatives.

Our friend Emma Marshall from Maine, an earnest worker under the care of the Quarterly meetings committee on Gospel work, also our friend Charlotte D. Holmes whose certificate was read in a previous mtg. have been acceptably with us at this time.

Our dear friend Charles W. Goddard, a minister, attended this mtg. presenting a satisfactory minute from Durham mo. Mtg. held in joint session at South Durham Maine. His company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the men's mtg. in furnishing him with a minute to this effect.

11th mo. 22. 1888. The report contains some interesting
and instructive etc. Adelaide H. Jones, Ruth
Hony, from Long Fair better etc. The committee and
Agitation. Warmen who are all present.

The queries with answers to the first
second and third received from our central. The
committee also have been read at this time and
a summary report of the same. That we are
to the ensuing Quarterly mtg, by our friends
of Delano. Ruth Hony, Harriet S Davis and Louise
R. Gernish whom we appoint our representatives.
An interesting epistle from our sister of
Delano. Mary S. G. has been read at this time.
Allusion is made in the epistle to the subject
of temperance and our friend Rachel S. Howland
wished to call the attention of Friends to the
fearful increase of the liquor traffic in our land.
The feeling that the increasing of this traffic
is a great evil upon the efforts of Christ-
ian women. The members of our Society are so
sheltered from the suffering caused by intemper-
ance that they have sight of the evil committed,
and the misery caused by the use of intoxicants.

To the monthly meeting.

The committee appointed to correspond with
those members who seldom attend our meetings inform
that Russell P. Hammet has joined another religious
society and requests to be released from membership
with us. Also that Valmore A. Hammet does not
attend our meetings and wishes his name to be
removed from the list. Special Notice for Clerk.

The committee also informs that Abby H. Fisher
has joined another religious society, and requests to
be released from our Society. Special Notice for Clerk.
This mtg unites with our friends in releasing them
from membership with this religious society.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Bonfield Clerk.

Our dear friend Harriet & 4 is on her way
all day this morning presenting a testimonial
minute from Wintthrop Me. Mtg. held at Manchester
Maine. Her company and Gospel services have been
acceptable to us, and the clock is directed to run
with the clock of the news wh. is going on
with a minute to this effect.

All here well. d. m. recd. of Boston friends and letters 12 & 14th. Also express letters from New Bedford. Papers this morn. recd. with Henry and Anna & Wood from Long Plain. Hannah & David and Esther R Pierce who are all present.

An epistle from our sisters of New York Yearly mtg. held at Plattsburgh has been read at this time.

Mary C. Baylies School.

New Bedford me. July 2. Women's friends held some 28th. 1889
The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mty are: John
Hartman and V. H. [unclear] from New Bedford [unclear] [unclear]
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

An epistle from our sisters of Western Yearly mty. at
at Plainfield Indiana also instructive and encouraging. The
from Baltimore and Dublin Yearly mty. have been read at
this time.

The following report from the joint committee [unclear] [unclear]
of the schools in Howland Chapel is accepted and [unclear] [unclear]
have contributed the sum requested for payment of the [unclear].

To the Monthly meeting.

The com. having charge of the Howland Chapel would report that
the school has been continued as usual during the [unclear] year.
The attendance has been very good and the interest of the scholars
unabated. Were it not for the difficulty of procuring teachers
more scholars could easily be gathered in. We believe a strong
influence for good is exerted by the school and would [unclear]
it to the continued care of the monthly meeting.

The com. would ask for an appropriation of \$20. [unclear] [unclear]
rent of the building. On behalf of the com. Rachel A. Howland.
New Bedford 2/28. 1889. John B. Burpee.

The joint com. appointed to consider the subject of the [unclear]
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
now friends in the appointment of John B. Burpee as [unclear]
of Elder. The com. is released from further service.

To the monthly meeting.

The joint com. appointed in 1884 to consider the subject
of the appointment of Elders reported to the [unclear] [unclear] 1885
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
to fill the [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
appointed to that service. In the 12th mo. 1886 [unclear] [unclear]
addition of two friends made to the Com. and [unclear] [unclear]
to present to the mty. the names of [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
put them at that time for further action. The [unclear] [unclear]
are now united in proposing the name of [unclear] [unclear]
the Station [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

On behalf of the Com. Edward J. [unclear]
Anna J. [unclear]

New Bedford 2 mo 3rd. 1889.

The meeting report of the Com. is acceptable to us and the same Com. is reappointed with the addition of Rachel S Howland.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Com. having the oversight of Nantucket mtg. report that meetings for worship have been held on the Sabbath during the entire year past, on First Day morning. The gatherings have been at the house of our friends Geo. & Sarah M Richardson except during a period of two months and a half in the warm weather when the meetings were suspended. Attendance varied from three to perhaps twenty. Meetings were held when visiting friends came to Nantucket.

Signed on behalf of the com. Edward G Dillingham
Geo. Howland Jr. Edward J. Tucker, Anna G. Wood
Nov 28th. 1889.

Seth S. Smith.

The Com. to solicit contributions for Foreign, Home Missions and Gospel Work report the whole amount collected to be ninety two dollars.

An excellent epistle from a Yearly Mtg. of Friends held at High Point N.C. has been read at this time. The business of the mtg being finished we conclude.

Mary C Baylis Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg of Women Friends Nov 4th. 1889. The representatives from N. Bedford P. M. are Ruth L. Smith and Anna G Wood, from N. P. M. Hannah D. Bumpus and Betsy G Luce who were present except one.

The time for which the clerks of this mtg were appointed having expired Mary C Baylis is reappointed to serve as clerk and Susan M. Seaburns as assistant clerk for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

The representatives to the Quarterly mtg. were in attendance.

The time for which the Overseers of this mtg were appointed having expired Rachel S Howland & Geo. Howland Jr. are reappointed to serve as Overseers for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

... either D. Macomber are appointed to visit
 ... of the following request.

... Principals as held by your Society
 ... to be united with you I make this
 ...

Mattapaissett 4th 17. 1889. Eliza H. Coasting.

A request is also received from Myra de Dexter
 to become a member and Adelaide V. Wilbur and Susan
 H. Seabury are appointed to visit her on the account.

To New Bedford Monthly Mtg. of Friends.

... Principals as held by Friends, and feeling a desire to be
 ...

... 17th 1889.

... to the following viz.

... joint committee appointed in the second month to visit
 ... of their request for
 ... have given attention to their appointment; and
 ... in their conclusion that it would be right to re-
 ...

... Josiah Holmes Jr.
 ... Wm P. Macomber
 ... Ruth S. Murray,
 ... Anna G. Wood.

... which is united with in concurrence with men Friends and
 ... S. Murray, is appointed to inform Abby S. Brightman

... following request for a ...
 ... and Anna G. Wood is appointed to write
 ... com. of men Friends to prepare one in their
 ...

... and to reside within the limits
 ... we are united in requesting a
 ... if way opens,
 ... Thomas G. Smith

The following report is received from the committee
appointed to visit Myra C. Dexter which is also united
with the committee with which the following report
is received from the committee.

The committee have with them the report of
the case of Myra C. Dexter and advise
us to become a member of our association.

Bedford N. H. 11th.

Susan M. Stebbins.

The com. appointed to prepare an answer to the re-
quest of Eunice E. Croft present the following which
is written with this note: "The book is checked
I sign and forward it."

"Eunice E. Croft, Post-Office, New Bedford, N. H."

"This is to certify to whom it may concern that Eunice
Croft is a member of the Society of Friends
in New Bedford for several years having been received
on known request."

Signed by direction of New Bedford monthly
meeting of Women Friends held 5mo. 23. 1884.

Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. Mtg of Women held 6 mo 3. 1887. The representatives from New Bedford Prepara-
tive meeting are Sarah J. Taber and Deborah Howland,
100 South Main St. and the C. Ex. line. 111. 49.
who are at present.

Agustat. reports that she has been
to her appointment in the case of Myra C. Dexter.

The committee appointed to prepare an answer
to the request of Eunice E. Croft are appointed
visit and confer with her in regard to it, and report
at our next meeting.

I am not so fortunate as to have a
meeting on the 5th with our friends
Please let it be postponed until it is
convenient to all.

to solemnize their marriage according to the good order
of our Society and an appointment to be made in the
house on the 21st of June. The committee appointed
Rachel S. Howland and Mary C. Baylies are appointed
to unite with a similar committee from the church
to take the same into consideration.

The business of the mtg. being finished we can retire.
Mary C. Baylies, Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Friends held 8mo June 1839.
The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg.,
are Adeline S. Nye and Mary C. Baylies from Long Plain
Mary G. Macomber and Esther W. Pierce who are all present.

Rachel S. Howland in behalf of the committee
appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of
Nathaniel W. Gifford and Elizabeth C. Hanna reports
that it was accomplished according to the regulations
of our discipline and in an orderly manner.

The committee appointed to confer with
Eunice C. Crapo present the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to confer with Eunice C. Crapo
on account of her requests, have had several confidential
interviews with her. She is much attached to the prin-
ciples of our Society, and after careful consideration
thinks it best to retain her connection with it.

Anna G. Moore

New Bedford 8mo June 1839. Resolved that the same
which is acceptable to this meeting.

Our dear friend Ruth W. Murray informed this morn-
g of her husband's return in excellent health though fatigued
and requests and requests to participate from this morn-
g to be addressed to Friends and others in regard
to her standing among us as a minister in which will
be, which was united with to this and the same day
and the clerk was ordered to remain here with a certificate
to this effect. The business of the meeting being finished
at New Bedford 8mo June 1839.

New Bedford monthly meeting of Women Friends held
on 26. 1889. The representatives from New Bedford Prepa-
rative are Sarah E Wright and Elizabeth W Jordan
from here, Miss Sophia Brown and Alice P Howland
who are present except one.

The clerk being absent Susan M Seabury is appointed
for the day and Anna G Wood assistant.

Charles Murray Taber and Elizabeth Wood
go on the call as a member of our Christian
Society, having by a written declaration informed their
meeting through the Preparative mtg. of their intention
of marriage with each other; we appoint Susan M Seabury
and Sarah E Wright to make enquiries as to the char-
acter of Elizabeth W Jordan to proceed in marriage with
report to our next mo. mtg. We unite with New Friends
in granting their request for an adjournment of the mo.
mtg. to 10th month 10th. at the usual hour.

The following request have been received viz.

New Bedford 9th mo. 11th. 1889.

I am the monthly ^{meeting} of Friends in New Bedford

I wish to present my name for membership in your meeting,
for your consideration.

Rebecca E. Smith.

We appoint Anna G Wood and Rachel S Howland to visit
her on the account and report to a future meeting.

The queries with answers to the first, second and
third received from our several Preparative mtgs. have been
read at this time, and a summary prepared for us, which
we forward to the ensuing Quarterly meeting, to our friends
Anna G Wood, Mary Hafford, Susan S Tripp, Sarah R Wing
and Alice P Howland whom we appoint our representatives.

Our beloved friend John Paige, a minister, from
Haver mo. mtg. N. H. attended this mtg. with a certificate of
expressing a wish to unite with him and his present wife in a
second. His company and support in this have been at his
own and the clerk is directed to write with it to the
next mtg. in furnishing him with a minute to this effect.

The committee appointed to prepare a certificate
for our friend Ruth E Murray, addressed to members of our
Society, and others, which has been read, presented,
and it has been approved in concurrence with
the clerk and the clerk is authorized to sign.

The business of the meeting being finished we adjourn to meet on the tenth of next month at the usual hour.

Susann M. Seabury, Clerk for the day.

At an adjournment of the monthly Mtg. of Women Friends held 10mo 10th. 1889. The representatives being called are present except two.

The representatives to the late Quarterly report that they are all in attendance.

The committee appointed to visit Rebecca D. Swift present the following report.

To the monthly Mtg.

In accordance with our appointment, we have had an interview with Rebecca D. Swift on account of her request to become a member of our Religious Society. Our visit was a satisfactory one. She appears to be much attached to the principles of our Society and we believe her to be sincere in her request. — We commend her application to membership to the favorable consideration of Friends.

New Bedford

Anna O Wood

10mo 10th 1889

Rachel S. Howland

which is united with in concurrence with New Friends and Rachel S. Howland and Ruth L. Smith are appointed to inform her of the action of the Mtg. in her case.

The committee appointed in the case of Elizabeth W. Jordan report that they find nothing to prevent her proceeding in marriage with Charles W. Jones. The written consent of the surviving parents of each has been produced and read. The parties are therefore allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the good order of the church. It was appointed that to be held at the house of Sarah J. Jones on the 10th & 10th month 1889, at 1 o'clock P. M.

Our friends Anna O Wood and Mary L. Taylor are appointed to unite with a similar committee from the town's Mtg. to take the necessary things and report to our next Mtg.

A sermon was delivered on behalf of Friends by E. Sumner addressed to the monthly Mtg. of Friends for the Western District. His sermon was read and concurred in by this Mtg.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude to be Bessie Clark.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 11th mo. 28th 1888. The representatives from New Bedford Presb. mtg. are Alice Tucker and Caroline C. Howland, from Long Plain Abby Wood and Mary Hafford who are present except two.

The queries with answers to the 1st, 3rd, and 10th, received from our several sister churches, have been read at this time and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly mtg. by our friends Alice Tucker, Abby Woods, Rachel S. Howland and Adeline S. Nye whom we appoint our representatives.

An epistle from New York Quarterly mtg. has been read at this time.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude
Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 12th mo. 26th 1889. The representatives from New Bedford Presb. mtg. are Anna R. Howland, and Ruth S. Smith from Long Plain Myra C. Dexter and Harriet S. Burdett who are present except one.

Our friends Adeline S. Nye, Adelaide V. Wilbur, Abby Wood and Myra C. Dexter are appointed to unite with a similar committee of our friends to solicit contributions for the Syrian Mission as directed by the Yearly Meeting.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude
Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 12th mo. 23rd 1890. The repr. from New Bedford Presb. mtg. are Alice Tucker and Caroline C. Howland from Long Plain Harriet S. Davis and Susan S. Tripp who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was given.

The com. appointed to solicit contributions for the Syrian Mission report the amount

collected to be \$53.85.

We are united with concurrence of many friends in releasing Mary A Wood of Fall River from membership with us at her request as she has joined another religious society.

The annual report of the auditors who have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and the several trust funds held by this mtg. has been read. We concur with many friends in the reappointment of Albers W. Holmes as Treasurer of the monthly mtg. The report of the joint-committee to disburse the charitable fund of our friend Abraham Shearman Jr. has also been read and the same com. reappointed to serve another year.

An address prepared by the com. on delinquent members has been read as follows.

Dear Friend

In the spirit of brotherly love, this meeting aims to call the attention of its members to the responsibility which attaches to each individual, in order that the standard of Truth as professed by the Society of Friends may be upheld and maintained before the world in its integrity and purity. We apprehend the time hardly calls for a more perfect dedication of ourselves individually to the work of the Lord. It is by yielding to the sanctifying influences of the Holy Spirit in each heart, that we can be prepared for this service, especially in this day of upheaval and general confusion of religious things when nothing short of the pure witness for Truth in the heart and conscience will satisfy the earnest inquirer.

The great object of all religious effort should be to bring mankind to that foundation which is sure, and Christ Jesus the Lord - who is "the way the truth and the life" that they may know a growth and establishment in Him, in whom their strength to labor for the improvement and upbuilding of the Church must consist. For he says "Without me ye can do nothing"; and again "He that gathereth with me scattereth". Even our Christian activities must be directed to the Divine throne.

Comparing the past of our Society with the present, we must realize the great loss sustained by us in substituting methods and making

change in various ways, seeking to conform more nearly to other
 Societies in their belief and manner of worship, so opening the
 way for our members to accept and embrace views and
 practices not in accordance with our own views and
 usages. It is the consistent belief of the Society that no one should
 be forced to conform to any particular view. It is not for us
 to dictate to others what they should do in their matters.

But we shall not be likely to advance in spiritual attain-
 ment by leaving our first love and the truths given to our
 religious Society especially to uphold. The present
 age calls for a nearer approach to the needs of souls seek-
 ing after Truth, and a greater manifestation of power in those
 who make a profession of it; with less conformity to the spirit
 of the world. The public testimony that divine

worship is a service is needed in our age, and it has been,
 not in all days, as the Lord's days, has led the Society
 to hold a public meeting for worship near the middle of
 each week, and during the hours of the day deemed most
 appropriate, though the time thus occupied might be
 valuable in business. This religious testimony seems
 especially for our Society to bear almost singly before the world.
 Too many of our members neglect it to their great
 loss, while a few are constant in attending these meetings.

When there is an earnest desire to join in upholding
 this important principle there will mostly be found a
 way to accomplish it. And the friends of Truth, pro-
 ceeding regularly on the day appointed to unite in divine
 worship, will in the very act silently scatter seeds of the
 Kingdom in the hearts of observers which they may be little
 aware of till the great harvest is gathered. A decline in
 spiritual life has often been found to accompany
 the neglect of mid-week meetings. We cordially
 invite all our members to be diligent in attending our
 meetings for religious worship, and being so gathered in
 the name of the Lord that their testimony may be
 in Him. His meetings are distinctive, that all things
 may be done decently and in order, corresponding with
 our profession. If we would keep our organization in
 a healthy condition, we must conduct our church service
 in love and on truly Christian principles, and as it is the
 Lord's work so it will be done as in His sight, and it is

the head over all things to His church, and if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His.

The right ordering and judgment of the affairs of the church must be under the Spirit; wherein he that is spiritual judgeth all things; and the wisdom of the world however numerously represented is as the voice of the stranger. But let no one, however obscure his station among men, who feels a judgment as of the life of Christ in his heart, withhold the utterance of it in our meetings, and so rob himself and the church of the wisdom above. As a member please consider the subjects thus presented, and we entreat all to unite in this great work. For it is God that worketh in us to will and to do His good pleasure. The fathers are gone and we who are left must fill the vacant places to the best of our ability, under the direction of our Divine Leader.

New Bedford monthly meeting held 2 mo.
27th, 1890

Edward S. Tucker. Clerk.

We concur with our friends in directing the committee to have it printed and sent to every member.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Mary C Baylis Clerk.

At New Bedford, Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held 2 mo.
27. 1890. The representatives from New Bedford Proper
Meeting are Sarah E Wright and Abeline V. Kim from
1st ch. Mary Hafford and Mary C Baylis who are all present.

As the several from late friend visit there is no
occurrence at twelve o'clock this m. is adjourned in accordance
with our friends to three this afternoon.

M C Baylis Clerk.

At an adjournment of the mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held
2 mo. 27th. 1890 at three o'clock.

The representatives from New Bedford Proper, who
are Sarah E Wright and Abeline V. Kim, from 2nd ch. Maria
Hafford and Mary C Baylis, who are all present.

The business of the Mtg. being finished we conclude.

M C Baylis Clerk.

New Bedford mo. meeting of Women Friends held 3mo 27th, 1890. The rep. from New Bedford Presb. mtg. are Phoebe J. Howland and Mary A. Howland from Long Plain Rebecca Howland and Louise R. Smith who are not present.

The committee appointed to solicit contributions for the Western Indians and for Home Mission work are Sarah E. Wright, Abby Wood, Harriet S. Davis, Rebecca S. Howland, Cynthia Kirby, and Adeline S. Lee.

The queries have been read at this time with answers from our several preparative mtgs, and a summary prepared therefrom which we present to the ensuing Yearly Meeting to our representatives who are Rebecca S. Howland, Susan S. Scripps, Alice R. Howland, Abby Wood, Cynthia S. Kirby and Rachel S. Howland.

To the Monthly Meeting.

The committee having the oversight of the Bible School held at the Howland Chapel report, that the school has been discontinued and so no further care need be extended in that direction. For the Committee

John B. Baylies

New Bedford 3mo. 1890. Anna G. Wood

This report has been read and accepted and the committee released from further service.

The joint com. appointed to prepare an address to members present the following viz. which is very acceptable to us, and we concur with our friends in directing the com. to have it printed and distributed to each adult member of this monthly mtg.

The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the men's mtg. in preparing a memorial on our behalf, to Congress, protesting against the expenditure of such enormous sums of money for warlike purposes.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 4mo. 24th. 1890. The representatives from New Bedford Presb. mtg. are Anna G. Wood and Phoebe J. Howland from Long Plain Esther D. Howland and Esther P. Prince. who has been absent except one for whose absence a sufficient excuse has been given.

The time for which the clerks of this mty. were appointed having expired a committee consisting of Ruth Allen, Elizabeth F. Wilbur and Paul L. H. Allen are appointed to bring forward names of some friends suitable to serve the meeting in that capacity.

The representatives to the Quarterly mty. report that they were all in attendance.

A removal certificate received from the Dartmouth mty. on behalf of Edward Thomas his wife Rebecca H and their minor son Harry has been read and is acceptable to us. Sarah E. Wright and Susan M. Seabury are appointed to unite with a similar committee of men friends to visit them and inform them of the action of this meeting.

A removal certificate from Dartmouth mty. on behalf of Angelina Ricketson, an Elder, has been received and is acceptable to us and Mary A. Smith is appointed to inform her of the action of this mty. and welcome her among us.

The time for which the Overseers of this mty. were appointed having expired Rachel S. Howland, Alice R. Howland, and Abby Wood are appointed to unite with a similar com. of men friends to bring forward names of men and women friends suitable to perform the duty and report to a future meeting.

A request for membership from Ruth H. Hobbie is received viz.

To the monthly meeting.

Realizing the helpfulness resulting from association with those who are seeking to become better, and better represented with Jesus we present a request for membership in the Society of Friends
Mattapoisett 4. 16. 1890. Ruth H. Hobbie

Anna G. Wood and Rachel S. Howland are appointed to visit her on the account and report to a future mty.

The committee submit the following report of the Nantucket mty. viz.

To the monthly meeting.

The committee under appointment on the subject of the Nantucket mty. report that a meeting for worship has been held on Lord-day only during the past year, at the meeting house in the summer months, and during

the rest of the time at a private dwelling in the town.

The attendance at the latter place is small, not exceeding seven in number, while at the meeting house, in the worse weather, fifteen or more are assembled.

It appears that there are six members of our Society now residing upon the Island, four of whom are members of New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

On behalf of the Committee

Edward T Tucker

New Bedford 4mo 21. 1890. Mary C Baylies.

The report being united with the same com. is re-appointed for the ensuing year.

A request for membership from Elizabeth W Taber is received viz.

To the monthly meeting of Friends

I feel a deep interest in the Society of Friends and enjoy very much attending their meetings and if this is think well of it, I should be pleased to become a member.

Elizabeth W Taber

New Bedford 4mo 23rd 1890.

Rachel S Howland and Mary C Baylies are appointed to visit her on the account and report to a future meeting.

The following memorial to Congress has been read and is acceptable to us.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.

The members of New Bedford Monthly Meeting of the Society of Friends, held at New Bedford Massachusetts, would respectfully express to your Honorable Body their regret at the movement in the direction of making large expenditures for the purpose of increasing the Coast defences, either by the purchase of ships of war, or by the erection of fortifications, believing, as our Society always has, that carnal warfare is contrary to the spirit of the gospel, and in opposition to the teaching of Him, whom we all recognize as the Prince of Peace.

On behalf of the meeting aforesaid held 3mo 27. 1890.

Signed Edward T Tucker

Mary C Baylies

} Clerks.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude

New Bedford 4mo 27. 1890.

At New Bedford sun. mlg. of Women Friends held
 5mo. 22. 1890. The representatives from New Bedford
 Proposition not here. Adeline T. Sage and Anna
 & Alice Wiley from Long Plain. Harriet T. Davis and
 Charlotte E. Gardiner who are present except one
 for whose absence a sufficient reason is assigned.

The times for which the clerks of this
 mta. were appointed having expired a committee
 was appointed to bring forward names of some friends
 for that service and Mary Le Baylies is appointed
 as clerk and Sarah E. Wright for assistant for
 the ensuing year, or until another appointment.
 In the absence of Sarah E. Wright, Susan M.
 Leabury serves as assistant for the day.

The committee in the case of Rebecca
 H. Inman report that they have attended to their
 appointment.

The report of the committee appointed
 to bring forward names of men and women Friends
 suitable to perform the duties of officers is before
 another month for further consideration.

The committee appointed to visit Ruth H.
 Heller present the following viz.

To the monthly meeting

In accordance with our appointment we have
 visited Ruth H. Heller to good satisfaction. We
 found her not thoroughly acquainted with the
 principles of Friends but believe her to be a
 sincere Christian earnestly desiring to do what
 is right, which we submit to the monthly meeting.

New Bedford

March 1st 1890

5mo 21. 1890.

Anna G. T. & Co.

which is united with in concurrence with men friends
 and Adelaide V. Wilbur is appointed to inform her
 of the decision of the mta. in her case.

The committee to visit Elizabeth H. Baker
 bring the following report viz.

To the monthly meeting

The committee having had an interview with
 Elizabeth H. Baker on account of her request to be
 admitted into membership report that although

her knowledge of the distinctive views of Friends is limited, yet she unites with them as far as she understands them. Her love for the Book of Books, and her earnest desire that her life may be in accord with its teachings convinces us that we can secure to her the favorable consideration of Friends, New Bedford.

5mo 22, 1890.

Rachel S Howland.

Mary L Baylies

which is united with in concurrence with our friends and Anna G Wood is appointed to inform her of the decision of this Mtg.

We unite with our friends in receiving Joseph L Hiller, a minor, into membership with us at the request of his parents.

The com. to solicit contributions for the Western Indians, and for Gospel work report that they have received for the Indians \$12.25 and for Gospel Work 6.25. The com. is released from further service.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Mary L Baylies, Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Friend Friends in June, 24th, 1890. The representatives from the Preparative Mtg. are Sarah E. Holmes and Lupton Picketson, from Town Plain Mary Clifford and Louisa R. Geniste who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason is given.

Adelaide V Wilbur informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Ruth H. Hiller.

Anna G Wood also reports that she has visited Elizabeth H. Lober and informed her of the action of this mtg. in her case.

The committee appointed to bring forward names of men and women friends suitable to perform the duty of Overseers are united in re-appointing the same friends who served the mtg.

last year in that society, with the exception of Ruth L. Smith who is abroad with which this only writes in concurrence with men friends.

Our dear friend John P. ~~Pennington~~ as minister, attended this mtg. presenting a certificate from Spiceland Mo. Mtg. held at Spiceland Indiana and endorsed by Spiceland Quarterly mtg. expressive of unity with him in his present religious engagement. His company and labors are acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the men's mtg. in furnishing him with a minute to this effect.

The queries with answers to the first, second and tenth received from our several Prepa. mtg's. have been read at this time and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly mtg. by our friends Sarah J. Taber, Mary Hafford, Cynthia Kirby, Phoebe B. Stearns, Adelaide T. Wilbur, and Susan S. Tripp whom we appoint our representatives.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies, Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held Jan 24 1890. The representatives from New Bedford Prepa. Mtg. are Ruth Almy and Abby T. Brightman, from Long Plain Mary S. Wood and Mary G. Macomber who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason is assigned.

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly mtg. report that they were all in attendance.

The following request has been reading.

New Bedford Jan 15, 1890. To the Society of Friends.

Having become attached to the meeting, and feeling the need of the society, I ask to be a member of your meeting, I am a Christian.

Abbie E. Tripp

Rachel S. Howland and Mary C. Baylies are appointed to visit her on the account and report to the future mtg.

A request from Sarah E. Cartland to be released from membership with us has been read and Sarah E. Wright and Susan M. Seabury are appointed

to communicate with her on the account and report at a future mtg.

The following friends are appointed to constitute a joint committee to revise the list of associate members of the meeting in ministry and benevolence viz. Rachel S Howland, Anna G Wood, Mary Trafford, Esther W. Macomber and Mary A. Smith.

The following directions from the Yearly Mtg. have been forwarded by the clerk of the Quarterly Mtg. viz. "You are also directed to appoint committees to collect funds in aid of the Yearly Meeting's Committee on Foreign Missions, Western Indians, and Gospel Work, and pay over the same to the Treasurers of the Committees on those objects respectively." and have been read at this time but action upon them is deferred until a future mtg.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C Baylies, Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held 8mo 28. 1890.

The representatives from New Bedford Prepa. Mtg. are Ruth L Smith and Phebe S Howland and from Long Plain Sophronia Cogsett and Louisa R Gerrish who are present except one.

The committee to visit Abby E Sniff have had an interview with her but are not prepared to bring a report; which being approved by the mtg. the same committee is continued.

This mtg. in concurrence with men friends is united in releasing Sarah E Cartland from membership with us at her request and Anna G Wood is appointed to inform her of the action of this mtg. in her case.

Our dear friend John H. Dillingham, a minister, attended this mtg. presenting a certificate from the An. Mtg. of Friends of Philadelphia for the Western District, expressive of unity with him in his present religious engagement. His company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the men's mtg. in furnishing him with a minute to this effect.

The following report has been read viz.

to the next meeting.

The committee appointed to bring forward names as associate members of the meeting on ministry and Oversight have conferred together and propose the following
Edward S. Tucker, Thos. H. Hafford, Mary H. Hafford
Wm. H. Gardner, Charlotte E. Gardner, Mary H. Kirby
Esther S. Macomber, Phoebe B. Hocum, Susan M.
Seabury, N. Hervey Wilbur, Adelaide V. Wilbur,
Mary C. Baylies, Esther D. Macomber, Phoebe S. Adams
Sophronia Geggatt, Adeline S. Nye, Ruth Allen,
Sarah E. Wright, Rebecca S. Howland, Gideon Wood
Alice R. Howland.

New Bedford 8mo 28. 1890.

For the Committee, Anna B. Baylies, Rachel S. Howland,
which is united with this society in concurrence with many
Friends.

The business of the society being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies, Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held, Jan. 23rd. 1891. The representatives from New Bedford, Prof. mts. are Anna E. Wilcox and Sarah J. Lake, from Long Plain Ruth H. Hiller and Charlotte E. Gardner who are all present.

The assistant clerk being absent Susan M. Seabury is appointed to that service for the day.

Anna G. Wood reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Thos. E. Gardner.

The queries with answers to the first, second and third received from our several Prof. mts. have been read at this time and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the coming Quarterly mtg. by our friends Ruth L. Smith, Cynthia Kirby, Rachel S. Howland, Phoebe S. Adams, Anna G. Wood and Eloise A. Hafford whom we appoint our representatives.

The committee to visit Mrs. E. Hafford bring the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting.

At accordance with our appointment we have held

interview with Abby E. Tripp on account of her request to become a member of our Religious Society. We believe her to be a sincere Christian, and earnest in her desire to be united with us, and commend her application for membership to the favorable consideration of friends.

Rachel S. Husland

9mo. 25. 1890.

Mary C. Baylies

Which is united with in concurrence with our friends and Susan M. Seabury is appointed to inform her of the decision of this mtg.

A nominating committee consisting of Sarah J. Taber, Susan E. Tripp and Anna E. Wood is appointed to bring forward names of a committee to collect funds in aid of the Yearly Mtgs. Committee on Foreign Missions, Western Indians, and Gospel Work.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude
Mary C. Baylies, Clerk.

New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 10mo. 23. 1890. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative mtg. are Susan M. Seabury and Adeline S. Age from Long Beach Mary Wafford and Esther R. Pierce who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason is assigned.

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting were not in attendance.

The committee appointed to bring forward names for soliciting subscriptions in aid of our "Foreign Missions", "The Indians", and for "Gospel Work" submit the following names. Adeline S. Age, Sarah E. Wright, Cynthia Kirby, Sarah Taber, Rebecca Hunt, Adelaide T. Wilbur, Harriet Davis, on behalf of the committee.

10mo. 23. 1890.

Sarah Jane Taber

Susan M. Seabury reports that she has attended to her commitment in the case of Abby E. Tripp.

Anna E. Wood and Mary C. Baylies are appointed to unite with Men Friends in preparing a protest on behalf of New Bedford mo. mtg. of Friends against the holding of the International Exposition of 1892 in any part thereof on the Sunday of the week

the ...
 Mary & Baylies, Clarke.

...
 Susan M. Seabury and Phebe T. Howland, from Long Beach ...

...
 a protest of New Bedford Mrs. Mfg. against the opening of the
 International Exposition of 1892 on the first day of the
 week, have presented the following viz.

To the Monthly meeting

The committee appointed to prepare a petition to the com-
 missioners of the coming International Exposition with
 respect to opening the same on First-Days propose the
 following. For the committee Edward J. Tucker
 New Bedford Nov 27, 1890 Anna C. ...

To the Commissioners of the proposed international
 exposition

The monthly meeting of Friends held in New
 Bedford, Mass. on the 27th of November, 1890, and about
 100 persons of the ...
 to be held in Chicago in 1892 be opened to the public
 on the first day of the week during its continuance.

"Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach
 to any people."

Signed by direction and on behalf of the ...
 Nov. 27, 1890 Edward J. Tucker, Secy. of the ...

The above has been read and approved with a ...
 and is directed to be signed by the ...
 to the officials having charge.

...
 Nov 21, 1890 recommending that the ...
 of Susan S. Thompson acknowledged in this meeting, after
 careful consideration we unite with our friends in approving
 this recommendation and acknowledging the ...

The queries with answers to the ...
 with received from our several Preparative ...

been read at this time and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our friends Phoebe S Howland, Adelaide V Wilbur, Susan S Shipp, and Rachel S Howland whom we appoint our representatives.

We have with us at this time our friend Elizabeth S Larkin Sec. of the committee on Gospel work from Salem Monthly Mtg. Her company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C Baylies. Clerk.

Susan McLeabury Clerk for the day.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Friends held 1st mo. 23, 1891.

The representatives from New Bedford Monthly Mtg. are Adeline S Nye and Rebecca D Swift from Long Plain Adelaide V Wilbur and Susan S Shipp who present except two, for the absence of a sufficient number is given.

The representatives to the Quarterly mtg were not in attendance.

The business of the mtg being finished we conclude.

Mary C Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 1st mo 22nd 1891 The representatives from New Bedford Prepa. Mtg are Sarah R Wing and Ruth S Smith for Long Plain Mary Hafford and Harriet S Davis who are present except two for the absence of a sufficient number is given.

Resolved that the letter from the W. M. F. M. Mtg. held at Woonsocket, N. H. be directed to unite with the mens mtg. in signing a certificate to this effect.

The annual report of the auditors who have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, also the several trust funds held by this mtg. has been read. We

the educational fund of our friend Abraham Sherman Jr. not ready to bring their report.

A committee having been appointed by direction of the Yearly Mtg. for the purpose of soliciting subscriptions for the same, the committee appointed by this meeting for that purpose is therefore released from that service.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies, Clerk.

Second Yearly Mtg. of Women Friends held Jan 26, 1891.

The representatives from the following churches are Susan M. Leabury and Alice Tucker from Long Point, Louisa R. Gerrish and Mary G. Macomber who are present except one.

The joint com. to dispense the educational fund of our friend Abraham Sherman Jr. bring a satisfactory report which has been read and accepted by this mtg.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies, Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held 3rd Feb. 1891. The representatives from New Bedford Prepa. mtg. are Ruth L. Smith and Annie R. Holmes from Long Point Mass. and Charlotte E. Gardiner who are all present.

The queries have been read at this time with answers from our several Prepa. mtgs. and a number of queries have been forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Mtg. by our representatives who are Rebecca S. Howland Rachel S. Howland Sarah E. Wright, Susan S. Tripp and Sarah L. Holmes.

The committee appointed to examine the records, prepare an abstract of statistics, and for other purposes present their report, which has been read at this time. The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies, Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held 4mo. 23. 1891.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mtg. are Sarah D. Holmes and Bessie J. Wing, from Long Plain Mary J. Macomber and Myra C. Denton who are present except for whose absence a sufficient reason is given.

The time for which the clerks of this mtg. were appointed having expired Mary E. Baylies is reappointed for clerk and Sarah E. Wright for assistant clerk for the ensuing year, or until another appointment.

The representatives to the Quarterly Mtg. report that they were all in attendance.

The time for which the persons appointed to this duty were appointed having expired Rachel S. Thompson, Angeline Rickerson, Eliza Root and Sarah White, and Maria Brown are appointed to unite with a similar committee of our friends to bring forward names of men and women friends suitable to perform the duty and report to a future mtg.

To the Monthly Mtg.

The committee appointed on the subject of the meeting at New Bedford report, that meetings for worship have been held on the Island, on First day only, at the house of Sarah M. Richardson, as a rule. During the summer months they were held from time to time with the company of ministering friends from the nearby villages, and the meeting house was frequently opened on these occasions. The attendance which was from four to six in the cool weather was considerably increased in the summer by the company of visitors and others, not members. For the committee Edw. G. Dillingham

Leth S. Swift

New Bedford 4mo. 23. 1891.

Anna G. Stone

The above report is acceptable to us and the same committee is reappointed for the year ensuing.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary E. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held 5mo 28. 1891. The representatives from New Bedford Prepa Mtg. are Angeline Rickerson and Bessie J. Wing from Long Plain Phebe S. Delano and Esther R. Pierce who are present.

To the monthly mtg.

The committee appointed to bring forward names of friends to serve as assessors for the year ensuing, have united the following viz. Geo H. Drury, John P. L. and Edmund C. Tucker, John H. Gray, H. Kirby, Thomas Hafford, S. Henry Wilbur, and C. Tripp, John L. Macomber, Susan M. Seabury, Mary C. Baylies, Sarah E. Wright, Cynthia Kirby, Mary Hafford, Adeline S. Wilbur, Mary B. Luce and Rebecca S. Howland.

On behalf of committee John E. Wright.

5mo 27. 1891.

This report being united with in concurrence with the friends, the above named friends are appointed to the service for the ensuing year.

The committee appointed to solicit contributions for Western Indians, and Gospel Work report they have received for the Indians \$16.50. For Gospel Work \$11.60

Whole amount \$28.10. Signed on behalf of the committee Adeline S. Wilbur.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women's Committee held 6mo 25. 1891.

The representatives from New Bedford Bapt. Mtg. are Adeline S. Nye and Caroline S. Wilbur. From Long Plain Mary Hafford and from the Western

The assistant clerk being absent Adeline S. Wilbur is appointed to that service for the day.

Charles F. Russell, Vice and Corresponding Secretary in former mtg. a member of our religious society having by a written declaration informed this mtg. through the Preparative mtg. of their intention of a marriage with each other, we adjourn until 8 o'clock and by their action to make inquiries into the cleanness of Elizabeth K. Taber to proceed in marriage and report to our next monthly meeting.

The queries with answers to the first.

second and tenth received from our several Preparative mtgs. have been read at this time and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly mtg. Our friends Mary S. Taylor, & Lewis Taylor, Mary S. Wood, and Alice Tacker whom we appoint our representatives.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.
 H. C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held June 23. 1891.

The representatives from New Bedford Puffa. Mtg are Annie R. Holmes and Victoria Howland from Long Plain Esther D. Macomber and Abbie Wood who are present except one.

The representatives to the Quarterly mtg were in attendance except two for the absence of one a sufficient reason is given.

The committee appointed in the case of Elizabeth R. Taber report that they find nothing to prevent her proceeding in marriage with Charles R. Price. The written consent of the surviving parents of each has been produced and read. The parties are therefore allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the good order of our Society at an appointed mtg. to be held in this house on the fifth of eighth month at one o'clock P.M. and our friends Rachel S. Howland and Ruth S. Murray are appointed to unite with a similar committee from the men's mtg. to take the oversight thereof and report to our next monthly meeting.

In accordance with the direction of the Yearly Mtg. the following friends are appointed a committee of finance to assist the mo. Mtg. treasurer in the apportionment of expenses and collections of funds other than the amount called for in the communication from the Yearly Mtg. viz. Elizabeth C. Mc Gifford, Annie R. Howland, Mary S. Wood, Alice R. Howland, Mary S. Macomber and Adelaide T. Wilbur.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.
 Mary C. Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford our mtg. of Women Friends held
 8mo 27. 1891. The repr. from New Bedford Wch. mtg.
 are Bessie T Wing and Mary C Baylies from Long Plain
 Rebecca T Howland and Betsey B Luce who are absent
 except two.

Rachel S Howland on behalf of the committee
 appointed to have the oversight of the marriage
 of Charles R Price and Elizabeth R Butler reports
 that it was conducted in a quiet and orderly
 manner and according to the discipline of this
 society.

The following request for membership is
 received viz.

New Bedford 8mo. 3rd, '91

To the Friends monthly meeting.

Dear Friends, Having accepted Jesus Christ
 as my saviour and feeling that I ought to unite
 with some society, and preferring the Friends
 to any other I would like to unite with you if
 you think me worthy. Respectfully

Sarah E. Shadler.

72 Washington st.

Rachel S Howland and Anna T Wood are appointed
 to visit her on the account and report to a future
 meeting.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.
 Mary C Baylies Clerk.

At New Bedford Monthly mtg of Women Friends
 held 9mo. 24th 1891. The representatives from New
 Bedford Presb. mtg. are Alice Jackson and Deborah
 Howland, from Long Plain Phoebe S Delano and Char-
 lotte E Gardiner, who are all present.

The assistant clerk being absent Adelaide V Wilbur is appointed to that service for the day.

The queries with answers to the first, second and third, received from our several Preps. mtgs. have been read at this time and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Mtg. by our friends Rachel S. Hubbard, Elizabeth Kirby, Esther D. Macomber, Bessie T. May, and Susan L. Jaip, whom we appoint our representatives.

The business of the meeting being finished we can close.
Mary C. Baylis Clerk.

At New Bedford mo. mtg. of Women Friends held 10 mo. 22nd 1891. The representatives from New Bedford Prep. mtg. are Ruth L. Smith and Annie R. Holmes from Long Plain Harriet S. Davis and Esther R. Peirce who are present except two.

The representatives to the Quarterly mtg. noted that they were all in attendance.

The following information is received from the Quarterly mtg. and will be placed on record.
At the New Bedford mo. meeting

Dear Friends

Our Monthly meetings are directed (as stated in minute 4, 3 on page 35 of the Yearly meeting minutes of 1891) to substitute the word "may" for the word "should" in line 15 on page 163 of the Book of Discipline.

On behalf of Sandwich Quarterly meeting held at Sandwich 11 mo. 1, 1891.

Edward T. Tucker, Clerk.

The business of the meeting being finished we can close.
Mary C. Baylis, Clerk.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held
 Nov 26th 1891 The representatives from New Bedford
 Preparative mts. are Susan M. Seabury and Bessie
 I. King, from Long Plain Mary Hafford and
 Phebe J. Delano who are all present.

The committee appointed to visit Sarah & Hattie
 bring the following report viz.

To the monthly meeting

The committee appointed to visit Sarah & Hattie
 on account of her request for membership with a
 report that they have attended to her request
 in the course of their interviews with her friends
 reason to discourage friends from granting the
 said request, but would ask the kind regard
 and interest of this meeting in her behalf.

Rachel S. Hafford

Nov 26th 1891 Susan & Hattie
 which is united with in concurrence with our friends
 and Susan M. Seabury is appointed to inform her of
 the decision of this meeting.

The queries with answers to the first second
 and tenth received from our several Preparative
 meetings have been read at this time and a
 summary prepared therefrom which we forward
 to the ensuing Quarterly meeting by our friends
 Esther D. Hunsicker, Sadie D. Holmes Sarah & Hattie
 Mary Hafford and Alice Wood whom we appoint
 our representatives.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary & Virginia work.

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held Nov.
 24. 1891. The representatives from New Bedford Prepa.
 Mtg are Adeline I. Kye and Bessie I. King, from
 Long Plain Adeline V. Wilbur and Mary Hafford
 who are all present.

The clerk being absent Sarah & Hattie

The committee appointed to visit Mary A. Howland on account of her request for membership report viz.
To New Bedford Mo. meeting.

Dear Friends

Agreeably to our appointment we would inform that we have had a very satisfactory interview with Mary Emma Howland in regard to her request for admission in our religious society and are united in thinking that she has strong convictions of the truth of our principles with which she has been familiar from childhood, and we have nothing to prevent the granting of her request.
Rachel L. Howland, L.

Bessie J. Wing.

which is united with in concurrence with our friends and Caroline D. G. Howland is appointed to inform me of the decision of this body.

The committee appointed to visit Mary A. White for the same purpose also bring their report viz.

To the Monthly meeting

We have visited Mary A. White and consider her not only a Christian but much attached to the Society and principles of friends. — We find nothing to prevent her being received into membership with us.

Adeline S. Lye

1st mo. 20, 1892.

Susan M. Seabury

which is united with by both men and women friends, and Adeline S. Lye is appointed to inform her of the action of this meeting.

The annual report of the auditors who have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, also the several trust funds held by this meeting has been read.

We concur with our friends in the reappointment of Albert W. Holmes as Treasurer of the Mo. meeting.

The report of the joint committee to disperse the charitable fund of our friend Abraham Sheerman Jr. has also been read and the same committee reappointed to serve another year with the addition of Susan M. Seabury in place of Ruth May deceased.

The committee appointed to prepare a certificate of removal in behalf of Rebecca A. Gifford

addressed to Friend Harshy and I expect that this time and it is approved.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Mary C Baylies clerk.

At New Bedford monthly mtg. of Women Friends held 2mo. 25th. 1892. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mtg. are Sarah R Wins and Annie K. Holmes, from Long Plain Esther K. Pierce and Charlotte E. Gardiner who are present except one.

Caroline D. C. Howland informs that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Mary E. Howland.

Adeline S. Nye has also attended to her appointment in the case of Mary A. White.

For sufficient reasons the certificate of removal on behalf of Rebecca A. Gifford will be held over until after our next monthly meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Mary C Baylies clerk.

At New Bedford monthly meeting of Women Friends held 3mo. 24. 1892. The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mtg. are Adeline S. Nye and Emma C. Taber, from Long Plain Rebecca S. Howland and Charlotte Cowen who are present except one.

The queries have been read at this time with answers from our several Preparative meetings and a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Mtg. by our representatives who are Bernice S. Wing, Adeline S. Nye, Ruth L. Smith, Cynthia Kiden, Mary Hafford and Harriet S. Davis.

The committee appointed to examine the records, prepare an abstract of statistics and for other purposes present their report which has been read at

this time.

We convene with new friends in the affair of
of Gideon Wood as correspondent in place of George
Howland Jr. deceased.

The time for which the clerk of the mtg.
was appointed having expired, a committee consisting
of Anna E Wood, Sarah E Taber, and Mary Hafford
are appointed to bring forward names of some friends
for that service.

The business of the mtg. being finished we conclude.

Mary E Baylies, Clerk.

At New Bedford we. mtg. of Women Friends held
Nov. 28th 1842. The representatives from New Bedford
Preparative Mtg are Cynthia A. White and
Angelina Ricketson from Long Plain Charlotte E
Gardner and Mary Hafford who are present
except one.

The committee appointed to bring forward
names for clerks of this meeting defer their report
until next month.

The representatives appointed to attend
the Quarterly meeting report that they were all present.

The time for which the Clerks of the mtg.
were appointed having expired Ruth S. Hume, Ruth
S Howland, Susan S Gripps, Abner Wood and Sarah
R Wing are appointed to unite with a similar committee
of men friends to bring forward names of men and
women friends suitable to perform the duty in respect
to a future meeting.

The joint committee under appointment in
the subject of the Nantucket mtg. bring the following
report. To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

Dear friends. The committee under appointment in
relation to the Nantucket meeting report that they were
informed that a meeting for worship was held at the
meeting house during the week in question. During the
week in question the two friends here met at the

Esther D Macomber

Edward J. Tucker

New Bedford

Edward G Liffingham

4 mo 20th. 1872.

Chilomenes

5mo 1892. At New Bedford no. Meeting of Women's Friends held 5.30
2.00 p.m. The Representatives from New Bedford, Massachusetts
who are Jessie F. May and Mary E. Howland, from
New Paris, Esther D. Macomber and Carrie L. Davis who
are also present.

The Committee is pleased to bring forward names of friends to serve the only, in the capacity of Clerks present the following; Mrs. W. H. Clark, and Frances F. Fitch is assistant clerk which being acceptable to the only, they are appointed to that service for the ensuing year, or until another arrangement.

The sub-committee appointed to inquire
board names or new and former friends to serve
at Worcester, secured the following results:

is the business meetings. There is no social interaction

6mo 23. 1892 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held
6th mo. 23rd 1892 The representatives from New Bedford
Preparative Meeting are Susan M. Seabury and Phoebe T. Horland,
from Long Plain, Elvise R. Hafford and Mary J. Macomber
who are present, except one.

The Queries with answers to the first, second, and
third, from each of our Preparative Meetings, have been
read in this room a summary prepared therefrom
which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Mtg.
by our representatives who are Cynthia T. Kirby,
Elizabeth Prilek, Susan M. Seabury, Esther D.
Macomber, Phoebe T. Horland and Harriet L. Davis.
The Friends appointed in the case of Lizzie M.
Luther are continued in that service, on account
of her absence from home.

The joint-committee to take charge of the sub-
ject of the addition to the lunch room presented
their report which is acceptable to this and
the next meeting, and the carrying out
of the plan is left in charge of the same
committee, sufficient funds having been
pledged to meet all expenses.

We have with us ~~at~~ this time the following
friends from other Yearly Meetings, who
have presented certificates from their
Monthly and Quarterly Mtgs. expressive of
unity with them in their present engage-
ments, viz - John Carey from Back Creek
Monthly and Fairmount Quarterly Mtg
Indiana; Fernando G. Cartland from
Coughkeessie Mo. Mtg - New York, Seneca St.
Stones from Tarnham Mo. & Ferrisburg Quard.
Mtg in New York Yearly Mtg; and Edward
G. Wood with certificate from elders of New-
borough Mo. Mtg. New York. Lindley M.
Carey who accompanies his father also
presents 2 certificates from a committee of

First Monday Quarterly Mtg. Indianas.

The company and gospel labors of our friends have been acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the men's Mtg. in signing suitable endorsements on their minutes.

Religious minutes
of William
& Susan
Thompson

Our dear friend Ruth L. Libbott is also acceptably with us at this time. Our esteemed friends, William and Susan S. Thompson, returned at this time and certificate granted to them in the 3rd mo 1891, for the very extensive religious services contemplated by them at that time, in Great Britain, on the Continent of Europe & elsewhere, as set forth in the certificate above mentioned. They stated that they had performed the service which they had in prospect, and that the evidence had been graciously granted, from time to time, that their work had not been in vain. They presented returning minutes from the Yearly Mtg of Ministers & Elders held in Dublin, in 5th mo 1891 & from the Morning Meeting on Ministry & Oversight held in London on the 25th of 1st mo 1893, which were read in joint session to the satisfaction & encouragement of this meeting & with feelings of gratitude to our Divine Master for the blessings which have attended their labors in the gospel in distant lands, & his restoration to their friends at home. The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Sarah E. Wright clerk.

7th mo 28. 1892. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women, 1892, held.
 4th mo 28. 1892. The representatives from New Bedford
 Preparative Meeting, are Angelina Ricketson, and Laidie
 J. Holmes; from Long Plains, Abbie Wood and Esther
 D. Macomber who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting were
 in attendance except one.

The friends appointed to visit Lizzie M. Luther
 on account of her request for membership, bring
 the following report, viz:

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

owing to Elizabeth Luther's continued absence from
 the city, we have been obliged to communicate
 with her by letter. In response to our queries
 she replies, "I own and do claim the Lord Jesus
 as my Saviour, through faith in His blood.
 My request for membership with Friends is
 based on the simple truth of principle.
 I was brought up among them, and have known
 their ways and practices from my youth."

Respectfully submitted.

Ruth S. Murray

Rebecca S. Howland.

Laura M. Seabury.

which is united with in concurrence with new
 friends, & Rebecca S. Howland is appointed to
 inform her of the decision of this Meeting.
 We have with us at this time our dear friend
 William L. Pearson with minute of unity
 from Wakarusa Monthly Meeting, Iowa; his company
 and gospel labors have been acceptable to us,
 and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk
 of the men's meeting in signing a suitable endorsement
 on his minute.

Sandwich Quarterly Meeting sends us the following
 information which is placed on record - viz

From Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, held at
 "Albion" 7th mo 14. 1892. To New Bedford M. M.
 Dear Friends. It is concluded to raise
 four hundred dollars for the use of the meeting

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for the ensuing year, & you are requested to pay your quota of the same, or two hundred & seventy five dollars, to Geo. R. Wood our Treasurer before the 1st of the 4.th mo 1892.

Time of holding
2. Mtgs.

This Quarterly Mtg. will be held hereafter on second Fifth day of 1st - 4.th - 7.th & 10.th mos. The change in date to take effect at our next gathering in Sandwich on the 10.th mo.

Bible School.

The several Bible schools within the limits of our Mo. Mtgs. are requested to report regularly at intervals of 3 mos. to the P. M. Superintendent of Bible Schools & your meeting is requested to cooperate with the P. Mtg. superintendent in this work as may may open.

Changes in book
of discipline

Several changes have been made in the Book of Discipline by our late Secretary, & printed slips containing same will be forwarded to you which you are directed to insert in the specified place in the last edition of that Book.

We have appointed Sarah H. Laker at this time as the P. M. Superintendent of Bible Schools.

Signed on behalf of the Mtg.

Edward J. Tucker - Clerk

A communication has been rec^d from Sarah H. Mtg. held at Lynn in regard to the certificate of removal issued by this meeting, on behalf of Rebecca A. Gifford. It is her desire still to remain a member of this meeting, & we therefore grant her request, in concurrence with our friends.

Anna G. Wood, Esther D. Macomber, Rachel A. Howland and Rebecca S. Howland are appointed to unite with our friends in revising the list of associational members of the meeting on Ministry & Oversight.

The business of the meeting being finished we now
Close - Sarah E. Wright - Clerk

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At New Bedford Mo. Mtg of Women Friends held 8th mo 25. '92
The representatives from W.B. Preparative Mtg are Sarah Jane Taber
and Catherine Howland. from Long Plains, Charlotte Barnes
and Christina R. Bowen who are present except one

Rebecca S. Howland reports that she has attended by letter
to her appointment in the case of Lizzie M. Leathers.

The committee having in charge the revision of the list of
associate members of the Mtg. on Ministry & Oversight present
the following report viz: "To the Monthly Meeting."

The committee appointed to revise the list of associate
members of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight have
attended to their appointment & present the following
for the consideration of the Meeting -

Edward J. Luther, Joshua L. Macomber, Thos. F. Haffner,
Wm. H. Gardner, Benj. H. Kirby, H. Horner, William
Gideon Wood, Mary Hafford, Charlotte E. Gardner,
Susan M. Leabury, Adelaide V. Miller, Esther D.
Macomber, Sophronia Legatt, Thea B. Slocum,
Mary C. Baylies, Phoebe S. Adams, Adeline S. Hyatt,
Sarah E. Wright, Rebecca S. Howland, Alice M. Howland,
Cynthia A. Kirby For the Committee John S. Baylies

8mo 25. 1892.

which is invited onto by this Meeting in con-
currence with men friends.

An epistle from Dublin Yearly Meeting of women
friends has been acceptably read at this time.
The following has been received at this time

Friends School - Providence
8mo 18. 1892

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting -

Dear Friends,

The Yearly Meeting in the 6th mo last
referred the matter of alleged irregularities in the
disownment of Sarah Holmes by your Meeting
in 1884 to the Representative Mtg. and pursuant
thereto a committee was appointed yesterday 10th mo
by the Representative Mtg. to enquire into & examine
the alleged irregularities both in your Meeting & in the
Preparative Mtg where the proceedings and complaint
against her began. It is proposed by said com^{tee}

Alleged irreg-
ularities in
L. L. & Holmes' case

to meet in Providence R.I. at the Friends' School on the
 Monday of the 11th mo. near 4 o'clock A.M. And, if agreeable
 to West Bedford N. H. the comtee would expect to have a
 quite prompt session with Mr. Noy with such record
 & persons as will throw light upon the proceedings & said
 discommunt case. But if it should appear too much of a
 burden to bring them all here & it should seem needful
 to do so, no doubt the comtee will adjourn to West Bedford
 to meet at a subsequent date; they would however
 avoid it if they can do so justly to all concerned.
 It being understood that we have nothing to do with
 complainant in this matter at these hearings or
 otherwise unless & until we find some possible or
 probable cause to believe that some important
 & vital error was made in the proceedings.

On behalf of the Committee

Augustine Jones Chairman
 We appoint Susan T. Thompson, Susan M.
 Seabury & Mary C. Baylies to unite with a
 similar committee of more friends to confer with
 a committee from the Representative N. H. in the
 matter of alleged irregularities in the case of Sarah
 A. Haines.

The business of the meeting being finished we
 conclude -

Sarah C. Wright - Clerk.

Jan. 22. '92 At West Bedford N. H. Mtg of Western Friends held
 Jan. 22. '92.

The representatives from N. B. Rep. Mtg are Abby L.
 Brightman & Mary C. Baylies from Long Plain,
 Harriet S. Davis & Mary G. Macomber who are
 all present.

We appoint the following friends our representatives
 to the ensuing Quarterly Mtg: Esther D. Macomber
 Mary Chafford, Susan M. Seabury, Adeline S. Nye
 Charlotte E. Gardner & Adelaide V. Miller.
 According to the charge in the discipline, the
 queries have been read & seriously considered,
 but not answered.

We have recd at this time a request of fifteen

hundred dollars from the Executor of the estate of Elizabeth Wood of New Bedford, lately deceased, which was left for the benefit of New Bedford Free Public Meeting, within the limits of New Bedford. The Trustees are directed to receive & judiciously invest the same & pay over the income arising therefrom annually, with interest, to the Treasurer of N.B. Preparative Mtg.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude - Sarah E. Wright - Clerk

10mo 27.92. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 10th mo 27. 1892

The representatives from New Bedford Prep^{re} Mtg are Mary White & Angelina Richardson; from Long Plain, Mary Shafford & Rebecca S. Garland, who are present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Mtg. report

that they were all in attendance. 1. A request for membership with our religious Society has been received, from Nellie (Gifford) Murray, accompanied by a letter of dismission from the Unitarian Congregational Church. New friends unite with us in accepting her as a member of this Society, and Mary C. Baylies is appointed to inform her of our decision.

The Com^{tee} appointed to bring forward the names of a friend to fill the vacancy in the board of Trustees of the John West fund present the following report: viz: - To the Monthly Meeting -

"The Com^{tee} appointed to bring forward the names of a friend to fill the vacancy now existing in the board of Trustees of the "John West Fund," are united in proposing Sarah E. Wright as a member of that board. For the Com^{tee} John R. Baylies.

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with which this meeting unites, new friends concurring.

The name of Ruth S. Murray is added to the list already prepared in the case of Sarah A. Rootes. Resolved Friends Mrs. & Susan T. Thompson have presented a returning minute from Southfield Mo. Mtg. held at Norwich, expressing of unity with them in their gospel labors.

The business of the meeting being finished or concluded
Sarah E. Wright. Clerk

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At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held
Nov 24. 1892

The representatives from New Bedford Prep. Mtg. are Edwina L. Ayer & Maria Emma Howland, from Long Plain, Charlotte E. Sandness & Eliza M. Sutherland are present except two.

The joint epistle from New York Society Meeting is here acceptably read at this time. Our dear friends William & Susan T. Thompson have presented a returning minute from Rhode Island Quaker Meeting, held at Fall River, & L. Thompson further minutes from Salem C. M. held at Ware & Dorset C. M. held at Rochester N. H., expressing of unity with them in their religious services, a copy is here acceptably read.

As it appears by our records that this Society Inter. was established in the 12th mo 1792, & that the one hundredth anniversary of the same will occur in the ensuing month, it is concluded in joint session to appoint our friends Edward T. Tucker, John B. Baylies, Anna G. Wood, Ruth S. Murray, Sarah E. Wright, Geo. P. Wood, John L. Macomber & Mary Chafford, as a com^{tee} to take the matter under consideration & prepare for a suitable observance of the event.

The business of the meeting being finished or concluded -
Sarah E. Wright. Clerk

12.27.92

At New Bedford Mo. Mtg. of Women Friends held
12 mo. 22. 1892.

The representatives from N.B. Preparative Mtg. are Mary C. Baylies & Ruth L. Smith; from Long Plain

Alice W. Howland & Mary E. Macmillan, who
are present.

The Minutes have been read & thoughtfully considered.
We appoint Mary E. Baylies, Ruth L. Smith,
Sarah R. May, Esther D. Macmillan, Mary Hafford &
Phoebe B. Stoomer our representatives to the ensuing
Quarterly Meeting.

Mary E. Baylies informs that she has attended
the appointment in the case of Della Murray.

The time being come to appoint a Committee
of friends to serve as Treasurers of the Panj, we
are united in reappointing the same friends with
the addition of Phoebe B. Stoomer.

Our beloved friends William & Susan T. May
have presented a minute from Smithfield
Quarterly Mt. held at Honesocket, expressive
of unity with them in their religious services,
which is accepted & true.

With feelings of thankfulness to our Heavenly
Father for the words of comfort & encouragement
which we have heard today - we conclude
Sarah E. Wright - Clerk.

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Nov 26.

At New Bedford Mrs. M. M. of Boston kindly held host.
The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mt.
are Miss S. P. Rice, Miss E. Britton, from Eastham
Lois E. Tripp and Sophia Leggett who are present
except one.

The representatives appointed
to attend the Quarterly Meeting report that they
attended with one exception, for whose absence
a suitable reason has been given.

The annual report of the auditors who have ex-
amined the accounts of the Treasurer, also the
success of the friends in their mt. has been read.
We are well known friends in the reappointment
of Albert W. Holmes as Treasurer of the Des. Mt.

The report of the joint committee to disburse the
Abraham Lincoln 1st charitable fund has
also been read & the same committee is re-
appointed for the ensuing year.

The following report has been received from

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The joint committee appointed in the mo. before, gave a fitting celebration of the 100th Anniversary of our Declaration of Independence in a suitable manner. To the Monthly Meeting.

Report of Com. a.
on Contrary
observance of
establishment
of this M. July.

The first committee reported in the H. M. S. C. C.
arrang. for a fitting observance of the 100th Anniversary
of Bedford St. M. T. G. would report that one month,
Mtg. on the 22^d of last m. was attended by several
Friends from other Monthly Mtgs. at the close
of the meeting for business, the company, part of
the same, resided in the church rooms, after which
a large number of Friends and others interested,
assembled in the Meeting room, where exercises
were held appropriate to the occasion, Mrs. Mary
Rachel S. Cleveland, presiding at this gathering.
A historical sketch of the Monthly Meeting was
read by the Clerk, and our Friends Ruth L. Mason
of this city, and Richard R. Thomas of Baltimore
contributed to the interest of the gathering, the former
by a poem, and the latter by an address.

The committee believe that the day was blessed and profitably spent.

New Bedford
18th mo. 17. 1893

On behalf
of the Committee

Edward T. Tucker
Anna T. Wood
Joshua A. Macomber
Sarah C. Wright

A circular and resolution against the opening of the World's Fair on the first day of the year, has been read, and friends are united in directing the signing by the clerk of a suitable protest from this religious society.

The business of the Meeting being finished we conclude
 Sarah C. Wright, Clerk.

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At New Bedford, Mass. Mtg. of Women Friends held
2nd mo: 23. 1893.

The representatives from New Bedford to the present meeting are Angeline Picketson & Mary H. DeLano; from Long Plains, Mary Hubbard & Estlin. Dr. Pierce was not present except for a few minutes. Satisfactory reasons have been given.

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A copy of the protest of our religious society against the Secession of the Methodist Church on the first day of the week, which was sent to the Executive and House of Representatives of the United States, was read at this time & approved.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude -

Sarah E. Wright - Clerk.

3mo 23.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 3mo. 23. 1893.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Alice Tucker and Sarah E. Tucker from Long Plain, Abbie Wood & Adelaide V. Miller, who are present except Mr. for whose absence suitable reasons have been assigned.

The queries have been read, with answers from our several Preparative Meetings & a summary prepared therefrom which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting upon which Rachel C. Greenland, Mary C. Baylies, Phoebe B. Storrs, Susan S. Tripp, Esther D. Macomber & Mary Haafford, whom we appoint our representatives.

The committee appointed to examine the records prepare an abstract of statistics & for other purposes, present their report which has been read.

An interesting epistle from Anna Yearly Meeting of Women Friends has been read to our edification.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude -

Sarah E. Wright - Clerk.

4mo. 27.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held 4mo. 27. 1893

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Mtg. are Caroline D.C. Greenland & Mary C. White from Long Plain, Mary G. Macomber & Esther D. Macomber, who are present.

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The time for which the Clerks were appointed having expired Sarah E. Wright is reappointed as Clerk & Fannie C. Fine, as assistant. The same for the coming year, or until another appointment.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they were in attendance with one exception for whose absence a suitable reason has been given.

The time for which the Overseers of this Meeting were appointed having expired, Rachel S. Hammond, Susan S. Tripp & Cynthia A. Kirby are appointed to unite with a similar Committee of men friends to propose names of men & women friends suitable to perform the duty upon to a future meeting.

Our esteemed Friend Rufus P. King, accepted attended this meeting, presenting a certificate from Springfield Mo. Mtg. endorsed by Deep River Quarterly Mtg., held at Springfield, Gouldsboro Co. N. C. The Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the men's meeting in signing a suitable returning minute.

This meeting unites with the action of Andover Quarterly Mtg. in appointing a Committee of men friends to attend to the building of a fire proof vault on these premises, for the safety of the records of this Quarterly Mtg.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Sarah E. Wright -- Clerk.

5th mo. 25.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 5th mo. 25th 1893

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sarah J. Taber & Mary C. Baylies, from Long Plain, Susan S. Tripp and Mary Hafford who are all present.

The committee appointed last month to bring forward names of men and women friends to serve as Overseers present the following report, viz: -- "To the Monthly Meeting. The Committee appointed last month to present names of friends to serve this meeting

Overseers.

1893 as Overseers would report that the committee have conferred on the subject and are united in proposing the names of John B. Bailey, Edward F. Tucker, John Wood, Benj H. Kirby, Thomas Hafford, M. Henry Wilbur, Arnold G.ripp, Joshua L. Macomber, Susan M. Seabury, Mary C. Bagley, Sarah E. Wright, Cynthia A. Kirby, Mary Hafford, Adelaide V. Wilbur, Betsy B. Luce & Rebecca S. Howland.

For the Com^y { Gideon Wood
3-20-93 { Rachel S. Howland

which report being acceptable to this & the men's meeting, they are appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude -

Sarah E. Wright, Clerk

Nov 22. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends, held Nov 22nd 1893.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Angelina Pickettson & Sarah J. Lathrop from Long Plains, Mary G. Macomber & Charlotte E. Gardner, two of whom were absent.

Visit of Our beloved friend Isaac Sharp, attended Isaac Sharp this meeting, with certificates from Darlington Monthly Meeting, England, held 4th Nov 1890, from the Yearly Meeting on Ministry & Oversight held in London 5^{mo} 30 1890 & also on the 18th, 19th & 20th of 5th mo 1891 expressing unity with him as a Minister of Christ, & with his prospect of extensive religious services as set forth therein. His company and gospel services have been very acceptable to us. The foregoing certificates were read in joint session and the clerks are directed to furnish him with an appropriate returning minute.

Our dear friend William Thompson a minister in unity with us, expressed to this meeting in joint session, a desire to

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attended the approaching Yearly Meeting of Canada, as companion to our dear friends Isaac Sharp, which was fully united with, and the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a certificate to that effect.

The queries have been read and are trust seriously considered by each one of us.

We appoint the following friends as our representatives to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, viz: Rachel S. Hordland, Phoebe B. Hordland, Lydia A. Kirby, Adelaide G. Wilbur, Mary E. Hordland, and Hester S. Wain.

A certificate has been received by this Meeting from Amesbury Monthly Meeting, held at West Amesbury, on behalf of Albert B. Estes, with his wife Jennie L. Estes, and their minor children Annie A. - Arthur G. - Jennie M. - Lida M. - and Harry W. Estes. We unite with new friends in accepting them as members of this Meeting, and the Clerk is directed to inform Jennie L. Estes of our decision.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Sarah E. Wright. Clerk.

Nov 27. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends held Nov 27th 1893.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sarah S. Holmes, and Susan M. Baber from Long Plains, Phoebe S. Delano, & Charlotte Hemen who are present except one.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended with one exception for whose absence a suitable reason has been assigned.

The Clerk informs that she attended to her appointment in the case of Jennie L. Estes.

The following directions from the Quarterly Meeting have been read & placed on record.

Directions from Q. M.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting
Dear Friends -

It is concluded to raise eight hundred

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+ fifty dollars for this meeting the coming year. Your quota (69%) is five hundred & eighty six ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ dollars (\$586⁵⁰/₁₀₀) which you are directed to pay to our Treasurer, Geo. P. Woods, on or before the 1st of 4th month next. Pamphlets relating to the subject of "Christian Giving" are commended to your attention, & you are also requested to give due consideration to minutes No. 7 of the Yearly Meeting in 1892 which arrange for a closer connection between the Yearly Meeting & its Bible Schools. You are directed hereafter to make returns annually of the number of your members who do not practice the daily reading of the Holy Scriptures in their families.

By direction of London Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Falmouth
Jmo 13. 1893.

Edward T. Tucker Clerk
Adelaide K. Milbur, Sarah H. Bates &
Sarah D. Holmes are appointed to unite
with new friends on the finance committee.

Our dear friend William Thompson
presented a satisfactory ^{returning} minute from
Canada Yearly Meeting held at Pickering
Ont. Jmo 30 to Jmo 5th 1893. which is accepted
to us.

We unite with new friends in accepting Charles
R. Price as a member of our religious society.

The business of the meeting being accomplished,
we conclude -

Sarah E. Wright - Clerk.

8mo 24. At New Bedford. Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 8mo 24th 1893.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative
Meeting are Alice Tucker & Jessie S. Wing; from
Long Plains Azubah Cannon & Charlotte E. Sartorius
who are present except two, for the absence of
one a suitable reason has been given.

An interesting epistle from Dublin Yearly
Meeting of Women friends has been read

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to our edification at this time.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude

Sarah E. Wright Clerk.

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At Kent Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 9mo. 28. 1893The representatives from Kent Bedford Preparative
Meeting are Susan M. Seabury & Elizabeth Bailey,
from Long Plain, Louisa R. Corrick and Mary Cafford,
who are present with one exception.The queries have been read and are trust carefully
considered. We appoint the following friends
our representatives to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, viz.
Rachel S. Howland, Sarah D. Holmes, Adelaide
V. Willbur, Mary R. White, Mary Cafford & Sarah
H. Baker.A removal certificate on behalf of Lydia M. Cornell
has been received from Dartmouth Monthly Mtg.
We unite with our friends in accepting her as
a member of this meeting, and appoint Rachel
S. Howland & Anna G. Woods to visit & inform her
of the decision of this meeting.The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Sarah E. Wright Clerk.

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At Kent Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 10th mo 26. 1893The representatives from Kent Bedford Preparative
Meeting are Sarah J. Baker and Anna R. Howland, from
Long Plain, Esther D. Macomber and Mary G. Macomber,
who are present.The representatives to our Quarterly Meeting report that
they were in attendance with one exception.The committee appointed last month to visit
Lydia M. Cornell is continued in the service, on
account of her absence from the city.We have received a removal certificate from
Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of
Cornelia M. Peck. We are united in accepting
her as a member of this meeting, our friends
concurring, and we appoint Ruth S. Murray and

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Phoebe B. Slocum to visit and inform her of the action of this meeting.

The business of the meeting being finished we concluded.
Sarah E. Wright. Clerk

11. 23

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 11th mo. 23. 1893.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Mary E. Harland & Angelina Ricketson, from Long Plain, Mary Hafford & Susan L.ripp who are present except two, for whose absence suitable reasons have been given.

Mr. S. T.
Thompson
relating
minutes
presented

Our esteemed friend William Thompson & his wife Susan T. Thompson, returned at this time, in joint session, the certificate granted to them in the 7th mo. 1892 for religious service within the limits of our Yearly Meeting.

William Thompson also presented a retiring minute from Parsonsfield Quarterly Meeting held 2nd mo. 2. 1893. They stated that they had accomplished the service as far as may have opened for the present, & felt that the time had come to close their labors in this direction, - all of which is encouraging & satisfactory to us.

their proposed
visiting
Ramallah

They also informed us that it was their intention to visit during the coming winter the mission at Ramallah in Palestine, maintained by our Yearly Meeting, and desired a certificate of their right of membership. The clerks are directed to prepare and sign the following minute on our behalf addressed to Friends and others, stating that they are members of this meeting and ministers in good esteem.

"To members of the Society of Friends and all others where these may come -

This is to certify that our beloved Friends William & Susan T. Thompson are members of this meeting, and ministers in unity and good esteem among us. We commend them to the Lord and His guidance, and the loving

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Case of all amongst whom their lot may be cast."

Phoebe B. Stocum reports that she attended to her appointment in the case of Cornelia M. Heath.

Visit of Emma
Nemell + Henry
J. Nemell.

We have with us our friends Emma M. Nemell a Minister, accompanied by her husband Henry J. Nemell, an Elder, with a minute from Durham Monthly Meeting of Friends held at South Durham Dec. 10 mo 17. 1893.

Their company & gospel labors have been acceptable to us, & the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the men's meeting in signing a suitable returning minute.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude
Sarah E. Wright - Clerk.

12. 28.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 12 mo 28. 1893.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Anna R. Holmes and Phoebe B. Stocum from Long Plains, Mary G. Macomber, & Betsey B. Luce who are all in attendance.

The queries have been read & thoughtfully considered at this time.

Anna G. Wood reports that she has attended to her appointment in the case of Lydia M. Comins.

We appoint as our representatives to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, the following friends viz:

Angeline Richardson, Sarah Jane Taber, Phoebe B. Stocum, Esther D. Macomber and Mary J. Wood.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude - Sarah E. Wright - Clerk.

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1 mo 25

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 1st mo 25th 1894.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Angeline Richardson and Abby T. Brightman, from Long Plains, Harriet S. Davis and Mary Hafford, who are present except one.

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Mtg, report that they were present with one exception.

1894 The annual report of the Auditors who have examined the Treasurer's accounts, also the several trust funds held by this society, has been read in joint session and in unity with some friends in the reappointment of Albert W. Holmes as Treasurer of this Monthly Meeting.

Rachel S. Howland informs that she has attended her appointment in the case of Lydia W. Cornell.

We appoint the following friends as Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year - viz: Susan L.ripp, Adelaide V. Milbur, Azubah Cannon, Rebecca S. Howland, Ruth L. Smith, Abbie Wood, Phoebe B. Stocum and Sarah L. Taber.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.
Anna G. Wright - Clerk.

2nd mo.
22.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 2nd mo. 22nd 1894.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Bessie T. Wing and Susan M. Leabury who are present. Long Plain Preparative Meeting informs that owing to impassible roads no women were in attendance.

Com. on

W. Shearnoy
Chairlady
fund.

Friends are united in the reappointment of the present committee, who have charge of the Disbursement of the Abraham Shearnoy Charitable fund.

We appoint Susan M. Leabury, Phoebe B. Stocum and Anna G. Wood to unite with a similar Committee of new friends under the direction of the Yearly Meeting in regard to the answers of the 4th & 5th queries.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Sarah B. Wright - Clerk.

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3rd 22.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
Friends held 3rd mo 22. 1894

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative
Meeting are Sarah L. Baylies and Anna P. Holmes
from Long Plain, Esther P. Peirce and Mary
Hafford, who are present.

The queries have been read with answers
from our several preparative meetings, and
a summary prepared therefrom, which was
forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by
our friends Rachel S. Howland, Sarah
S. Davis, Esther D. Macomber, Adelaide V. Wilbur,
Mary L. Ems and Mary C. Baylies, whom we
appoint our representatives.

Report of
com^{tee} on daily
practice of Bible
reading

Susan M. Seabury on behalf of the com-
mittee appointed last month reports that
they have only partially attended to their ap-
pointment, but so far find many friends are
careful as to the daily reading of the Holy Scriptures
in their families as well as individually, and
the committee is now released.

Interesting letters from Western and
Canada Weekly Meetings of Women Friends
have been acceptably read at this time.

The business of the meeting being finished we
conclude.

Sarah E. Wright. Clerk.

4th mo 26.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women
Friends held 4th mo. 26. 1894

The representatives from New Bedford Prepara-
tive Meeting, are Sarah J. Seabury & Susan M.
Seabury; from Long Plain, Susan L. Tripp &
Adelaide V. Wilbur, who are all present.

The clerk of the meeting being absent, Bessie
L. Wing is appointed clerk and Adelaide
V. Wilbur assistant clerk for the day.

The time for which the clerks were appointed
having expired, we appoint Anna G. Wood,
Susan L. Tripp and Mary Hafford a com-
mittee to name clerks for the ensuing year.

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The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they were in attendance with one exception.

The time for which the Overseers were appointed, having expired, we appoint Richard S. Howland, Susan S. Tripp, Ruth S. Murray & Adeline S. May in conjunction with some friends to bring in the names of friends to serve in that capacity the ensuing year.

The men Friends appointed to visit Richard Howland on account of his request to become a member of our Religious Society, have presented their report & are united with them in granting his request.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Bessie S. Wing

Clerk for the day.

5 mo 24.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 5th mo 24th 1891

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Sarah D. Holmes and Mary E. Howland, from Long Plain, Esther D. Macomber and Mary Hafford, who are all present.

The committee appointed to bring forward names of friends to serve this meeting as clerks propose Sarah E. Wright as Clerk, and Bessie S. Wing as assistant clerk, which being acceptable to the meeting, they are appointed to that service for the ensuing year, or until another appointment.

The following report has been read, viz:

To the Monthly Meeting

Dear Friends,

Your Committee appointed 4 mo 26th to consider the subject of finding suitable Overseers of this Meeting, have attended thereto, and were fully united in proposing the following list of names for your consideration - John B. Baylies, Edmund T. Tucker, John Wood, Benj. H. Kirby, N. Hervey Wilbur, Thomas Hafford, Arnold G. Tripp,

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Joshua L. Macomber, Susan M. Leabury, Mary
E. Baylies, Sarah E. Wright, Cynthia A. Terry,
Mary Hoafford, Adelaide V. Miller, Betsy B. Luce,
Rebecca S. Howland and Mary S. Wood.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the committee
New Bedford Rachel S. Howland
Nov. 2. 1894 Edward G. Dillingham

which being approved by this and the mens
meeting they are appointed to that service for
the ensuing year.

When Friends having appointed a committee
to bring forward the names of such as may seem
to possess the qualifications fitting them to occupy
the station of Elders, this meeting appoints Rachel
S. Howland, and Mary E. Baylies to unite with
them and report at a future time.

The business of the meeting being finished
we conclude.

Sarah E. Wright. Clerk.

6. mo. 28. At New Bedford, Nov. 28th Mtg. of Women Friends
held 6 mo 28. 1894
The representatives from New Bedford Preparatory Mtg.
are Susan M. Leabury and Mary E. White, from
Long Plain Betsy B. Luce and Mary G. Macomber
who are present except two.

Our beloved friend Lauretta Pine a Minister
accompanied by her husband Adeline Pine, with
certificate from Damascus Mo. Mtg. held at Dam-
ascus Ohio, 4 mo 28th, and James M. Estes a Minister
with certificate from Vassalboro Mo. Mtg. held at
East Vassalboro Maine, 5 mo. 15. 1894 expressing of
unity with them in their present religious engage-
ments. acceptably attended this meeting.

The clerk is left at liberty to unite with the clerk
of the mens meeting, in furnishing the above named
friends with suitable returning minutes.

The queries have been read & although not
answered, are we trust weightily considered
by us individually.

We appoint our friends Anna G. Wood, Harriet
S. Davis, Ruth S. Murray, Susan S. Lipp,

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Adelaide J. Wilbur and Abby Wood were representatives to the succeeding Quarterly Meeting.

The joint committee appointed last month to bring forward the names of those suitably occupy the station of Elder, are continued in that service in concurrence with new friends.

The following communication has been recd from Sarah E. Slade - viz:

" To the Monthly Meeting of Friends -
 For sometime I have felt that I ought not to longer remain a member of the Friends' Church, as my views have lately changed from those held by you, so I respectfully request that my membership in said Church be discontinued.

Very respectfully,
 May 5. 1894. Sarah E. Slade.

The appt joint Anna G. Wood and Ruth L. Murray to visit her on the account and report at a future meeting.

An address to Members of the Bedford Monthly Meeting has been acceptably read at this time.

The business of the meeting being accomplished we conclude.

Sarah E. Wright - Clerk.

June 26

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held June 26. 1894.

The representatives from New Bedford Preparative Meeting are Angelina Picketson and Maria C. Taylor, from Long Plains, Charlotte Brown and Abbie Wood, who are present except one, for whose absence a sufficient reason has been given.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended with one exception for whose absence a suitable reason has been given. The Friends appointed last month to visit Sarah E. Slade on account of her request to be released from membership with this religious Society report that she attended to their appointment and would has decided in her own mind that she has done

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as her beloved Father was leading her, in person
write in granting her request, manifested concerning.
A valuable epistle from London Quarterly Meeting
has been acceptably read at this time.

We appoint Angelina Richardson, Harriet L.
Laws and recd. M. Leabury to unite with a
similar appointment of new friends on the Finance
Committee.

We also appoint Anna G. Wood, Rachel S. Holland,
Susan S. Gripp, Alice R. Holland and Sarah E. Wright
to unite with new friends in revising the list of
associate members of the meeting Ministry & Oversight.

The following directions from the Quarterly Meeting
viz - have been read & placed on record -

The Joint Committee appointed in the 5th
month to bring forward the names of friends
suitable to occupy the station of elders pre-
sented their report viz:

"To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed in Dec^r
month to bring forward the names of friends
to serve in the station of elders, have taken the
subject into serious consideration and are
united in proposing E. Edmund V. Tucker and
Mary C. Canfield for this service

They also request in extension of time on
the consideration of other names.

Respectfully Edward G. Dillingham

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Rachel S. Holland

which met with the approval of his and the
mens' meeting, and are to be forwarded to the
Quarterly Meeting for approval.

The committee is granted an extension of time
for the consideration of other names.

Under a sense of the goodness of our beloved
Father in sending some of his servants to visit
us with fresh messages of His love we conclude

Sarah E. Wright

Clerk.

To New Bedford

Monthly Meeting -

Dear Friends -

It is concluded to raise six hundred dollars - \$600 - for this Meeting the ensuing year.

Your quota of this amount is 69 per cent, or four hundred and fourteen dollars - \$414 - which you are requested to pay to our Treasurer Geo R Lind, on or before the 1st of Fourth month 1895.

Hereafter, according to a minute of our last Yearly Meeting, overseers in your Mo Meeting will be considered as members of the Meeting on Ministry & Oversight during their service in that station.

Your attention is called to the following minutes of the Yearly Meeting of 1894 - --

No 31 - relating to finances.

No 51 - " to care of persons.

No 59. to the expunging of the clause
of discipline on page 81, year 1889,
concerning the hour of holding
Early Meetings for worship

No 70. relating to the rescinding
of minute no 49, of 1893,
whereby our Monthly Meetings are
released from making a numerical
return of families, who neglect
daily reading of the
Scriptures.

From the minutes of
Sandwich Yearly Meeting
of Friends, held at Falmouth,
7mo 12. 1894-

Edward T. Lusk
- Secy.

